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CHARLEROI SCHOOL DISTRICT THE SECOND OF WASHINGTON COUNTY

Borough of Washington Only Town to Surpass it in Number of Teachers

AMOUNT SPENT YEARLY

Costs the Borough Over $24,000 To Employ Competent Instructors--average Salary is $58.53.

Charleroi not only is second in point of population in Washington county, but it is also second in school district enrollment of pupils, number of teachers employed, valuation and general efficiency of schools being considered. Washington, which is more than twice as large as Charleroi, is the leading school town.

According to calculations made for the School Annual, published in connection with the county teachers' institute, the sum of $24,124.20 is extended yearly for teachers' wages in Charleroi borough. To be exact $2,750.72 is spent per month for teacher hire, this sum including the superintendent's salary. The average salary is $58.53 per month, with the term nine months. Washington borough has a payroll for teachers of $61,730.02 and the average is over $60 per month for salary.

Charleroi has 42 schools and employs 44 female teachers and three male teacher. The average monthly salary for male teachers is $112 and for female teachers $54.88. The cost for each pupil per month in the grades, as near as can be estimated is $1.60, much less than in many other districts, ranking similar to the Charleroi schools. The number of male scholars enrolled is 558 and the female enrollment is 1,059. The average daily attendance is 1,916. An average per cent of attendance of 95 is attained.

School property owned by Charleroi broough is estimated at $280,000. The millage levied for all school purposes is 15 mills, the highest in the county, Roscoe the next below paying 14 mills. Washington has a levy of 10 mills. The total amount of the levy is $47,785. The amount spent for text books by the estimate is $1,857 annually and the amount spent for supplies, $6.27 more or $1,864.18. The State appropriation is $7,297.79. Washington borough has 100 teachers employed, with 91 schools to care for. The school property is valued at $715,000 and the amount of levy is $117,789.39. The borough secured $16,230.39 is State appropriation.

The figures as they are submitted show that the average taxpayer of Charleroi who does not own property and who has one child in school gets about $20.00 worth of privileges for $3.50 a year in common school and about $50.00 worth of privileges for the same amount in high school.

Xmas Dance

Dance Christmas afternoon and evening, Monday, December 26, Bank of Charleroi hall. Dancing from 2 to 5 and 7:30 to 1 o'clock. Jenkins orchestra. 114t2

Play dishes, books, and guns. Double stamps till Xmas at Barger's, 415 Fallowfield avennue. 107t10

TRIP TO COUNTY SEAT POSTPONED

Some Councilmen Unable to go Today so Visit is Called Off.

Councilman from Charleroi and North Charleroi did not go to Washington today on the proposed inspection trip to the Washington sewage disposal plant, owing to the near approach of Christmas, and the visit will be made sometime after the first of the new year. Some members of both councils could make the trip very well today, but others could not go on account of the busy time of the year, hence it was deemed advisable to call off the trip for the time being.

WEATHER PROMISES

Forcasters Prophesy Santa Claus Brand for Christmas

TODAY ONE OF COLDEST

Real Santa Claus weather is promised for this immediate section of Pennsylvania by the boss weather forecasters, and the weather this morning would indicate that no mistake had been made in the prophecy. The official temperature recorded at Lock No 4 this morning was six degrees above zero. It was one of the coldest mornings of the winter, but not the coldest, the mercury having traveled down to two below several days ago. Forecasters state that there will be little change in conditions until after Christmas but more snow may fall.

SOCCER GAMES ARE SCHEDULED

Monongahela Will Play Two Contests With Other Teams on Local Grounds

Two succer games are scheduled for the Charleroi grounds, one on Saturday and another on Monday. The game on Saturday will be between the Monongahela and Beadling teams and will be called at 3:30 o'clock and the one on Monday will be between the Monongahela and Sturgeon teams, to be called at 3 o'clock. Both the Beadling and the Sturgeon teams are strong, and will give the Monongahela kickers a hard run.

Box Social

Benefit of Lock No. 4 Fire Department. To be held in Lock No 4. Borough Hall, Thursday night. December 22. The social will end with an old-fashioned square dance free to the public. Come one, come all. Refreshments served. 114t2

NIGHT FOREMAN IS KILLED AT MONESSEN

David Morris Struck by Heavy Lever and Dies at Hospital as Result of Injuries Received

WAS A WELL KNOWN MONONGAHELA VALLEY MAN

David Morris, a foreman at the Page Woven Wire works at Monessen, and a well-known resident of Monessen, died at the Monessen-Charleroi hospital today at 1 o'clock from injuries received last night while at work in the plant.

Morris who is about 33 years old, was employed at his usual night duties about the plant last night about 1 o'clock, when he was struck without warning by a heavy lever. He was thrown some distance, and his skull was fractured. Fellow workmen picked up his prostrate body and medical attention was secured. He was taken to the hospital shortly afterward.

Morris, was a well known man along the valley, having lived at Roscoe before moving to Monessen. He is survived by a widow and two small children.

WASHINGTON MAN FOUND DEAD AT MONONGAHELA

Contract Painter Thought to Have Committed Suicide by Taking Carbolic Acid In Hotel Room

CORONER WILL MAKE INVESTIGATION

Charles F. Groch, aged about 55 years, a contract painter of Washington, was found dead in his room at the Monongahela House in Monongahela this morning, after the door had been kicked in. Suicide was evident, as an empty glass on a table by the bedside contained a residue of carbolic acid, clearly indicating self-destruction.

Groch came to Monongahela on Tuesday, and meeting one of his friends there, Alderman Day, told him he was going to spend a few days in the city visiting his wife's relatives. He went to the Monongahela Hotel and registered, under the name of "George Smith," Pittsburg. Wednesday morning he appeared for breakfast and then returned to his room, and nothing more was heard of him.

This morning an attempt was made to open the door of the room, and it was found to be locked. Suspecting something wrong the hotel employes broke open the door and found the man lying dead on his bed.

No motive is given for suicide. Groch was married and had a wife and some children living in Washington. Coroner James T. Heffran has been notified and will make an investigation.

INFORMATION OF MUCH VALUE IN SCHOOL ANNUAL

A copy of the School Annual, published at Washington by W. P. Wilson and E. F. Westlake, in connection with the annual county teachers' institute, has been received in the Mail office and for valuable information concerning matters of interest to teachers and school patrons alike of the county is unsurpassed. L. R. Crumrine, the county superintendent of schools, is the editor of the publication. Among the most important items contained in the School Annual are the program for the institute, the program for the directors convention, county superintendent's report, reports of Washington and Charleroi Borough schools, table of summaries for county schools, table of high schools and the report of State Superintenden N. C. Schaffer to teachers.

Dancing School

Oatman's, Tuesday night Dancing School will meet Tuesday night, January 2, Bank of Charleroi. Beginner's Class at 7:30. 114t10

Children, this is Santa Claus headquarters, all the toys at Woodward's are new, no old stock—421 McKean avenue. 112t

See the pretty gift sets for men. Suspenders, supporters and arm bands in matched colors in gift boxes at Leslie Campbell Co.'s, 413 McKean avenue, Charleroi. We give green stamps. 114t3

WELL KNOWN FAYETTE CITY MAN DEAD

Neil Dougherty, 52 years old, a well known miner, is dead at his home in Fayette City from paralysis, a stroke of which he suffered 10 days ago. His demise occurred on Wednesday morning at 5:45 o'clock. The funeral will be held from St. Edward's Catholic church in Fayette City Friday morning at 11 o'clock, and interment will follow in Calvary cemetery. The Fayette City Order of Moose will have charge of the services, the deceased being a member. His widow and nine sons and daughters survive.

Supper and Dance

For the benefit of the Italian Catholic church at Turner Hall, Monday evening, December 26. Supper will be served from 5 to 8 o'clock p. m. Tickets 50 cents. Dancing after supper from 8 to 12 p. m. Gentlemen 25 cents, ladies 10 cents. 115t3

Dainty Princess Dressers, beautiful designs and finshes at Woodwards—421 McKean avenue. 112tf

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WANTED—A seamstress at the People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue. Charleroi. 114t2

COUNTY INSTITUTE PROVING ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING EVER HELD

ELECT OFFICERS FOR ENSUING YEAR

Royal Arcanum Installation Ceremonies Will Take Place in January

Officers have been elected by Charleroi Council No. 1240 Royal Arcanum, for the ensuing year as follows: Regent, J. O. Bechtel; vice regent, Otto Dorbitz; orator, Charles Wallgreen; chaplain, F. Powell; guide, A. Lape; treasurer, J. Fries; collector, J B. Schaffer; secretary, Joseph Schoener; warden, F. Higgins; sentry, P. Esher; trustee, N. Greenberg; representative to grand council, G. T. Barger; alternate representative, E. I. Eckle; past regent, Fred Pieper. The officers will be installed in January.

RIVER GOES UP A FOOT

Rivermen Given Some Concern by Increased Stage

MUCH COAL IS TIED UP

A rise in the river of about a foot yesterday caused some anxiety among rivermen. The rise is said to be due to a let-up in weather conditions at southern points along the river. Shore bosses and watchmen in charge of the landings in the Monongahela and Ohio rivers, where more than 18,000,000 bushels of loaded coal is tied up, were taking extra precautions to protect the fleets from damage or being carried away if the ice formations in the upper pools should break and run out.

PASSION PLAY TO BE SEEN AT COYLE THEATRE

The Passion Play of Oberammergau, which was given this year, has been presented by the people of that village in Bavaria, Germany, every ten years since 1633. This year it was presented on a more magnificient scale than ever before, 700 people taking part Manager John Penman of the Coyle Theatre has secured as an attraction for tonight and tomorrow night Steven DeVaraugh, who with moving pictures and original photographs will describe the above mentioned great event. This lecture and moving picture exhibition is said to be the best reproduction of the great Passion Play that has yet been presented.

Get Christmas Gifts for Men at a Man's Store. Everything is in correct style. We will help you in your selection. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean avenue. 108tf

Wednesday Big Day of Week---State Superintendent N. C. Schaffer Makes Address

TAKE FROM CIRRICULUM

Speaker Says Trouble is Not What to Put in the Course of Study But What to Take From it.

Yesterday was one of the most important days of the week at the Washington county institute, being held this week at Washington, and Dr. N. C. Schaffer, the State superintendent of schools, Dr. S. C. Schmucker and Dr. S. D. Fess, of Ohio, made addresses. Prof. James G. Pentz, superintendent of the Charleroi schools returned from Washington this morning, to make arrangements for the trip of a number of teachers to Harrisburg next week and reports that the institute is fully as good if not better than the one last year.

Possibly the chief feature of yesterday's session was the address of Dr. Schaeffer. He spoke at a joint meeting of the teachers and directors on the topic "Course of Study." In his remarks he said that it is no longer a question of what can be injected into the common school curriculum, but what may be eliminated from it. He gave it as his opinion that essentials in teaching are lost sight of too much, stating that the high school has to do much which should be done in the lower grades. He suggested last that teachers in high school work should aim to prepare pupils for the work in their selected vocations as so many quit school work after graduation.

Dr. Schmucker talked on the subject of the physical history of Washington county, describing in detail the various changes which the county in common with Western Pennsylvania and other parts have undergone during the past million years. The conditions under which the county has passed causing the formation of the enormous coal beds found in the county and elsewhere were explained.

Tuesday morning Prof. Pentz made an address to the institute. He is one of the vice presidents of the institute.

Ready-Lowe

Albert A. Ready and Miss Ethel M. Lowe of Donora were maried here by Rev. J. T. Hacket, Saturday evening. They will live in Donora.

Business Men's Meeting

A special meeting of the Charleroi Business Men's Association has been called for this evening at 8:30 o'clock at the association rooms. Important business is scheduled.

The People's Store have received a large stock of Ladies and Men's Suits direct from their factory in New York, which will be sold at one half price. Call and get your Christmas present. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue. 115t2

China Closets in many pretty designs at Woodward's—241 McKean avenue. 112tf

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Dec. 22 In American History.

1807—The embargo on trade with England, etc., took effect. The act remained in full force until March, 1809.

1822—John Strong Newberry, eminent geologist and mining expert, born; died 1892.

1899—Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, died; born 1837.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow.) Sun sets 4:32, rises 7:18; moon rises 11:37 p. m.; planet Mercury visible; 12:04 noon today, winter solstice; sun lowest and farthest south; noon shadows longest; winter begins.

Something for Nothing

Nowhere, perhaps in the United States, can the workingman who owns no property get more help from the State and municipality in which he lives than in Pennsylvania. For a minmum of taxation, borough, school, State and county, the non-property holding citizen gets privileges and benefits which, if he had to pay for in dollars and cents, would make a big item in the expenditure of his income. In Pennsylvania it is literally a case of getting something for nothing so far as the non property holding citizens is concerned.

In Charleroi, where the borough and school tax rates are high, owing to the short time the town has been in existence, the non-property owning citizen has a decided advantage. If a tradesman, whether skilled or unskilled, he is assesses with an occupation of $100 on which to base his taxes. Suppose such a citizen had four children in school, and many here have more than that, and suppose three of the children were in the grades and one in the high school. The actual cost for the schooling of these four children would be $20 each for the grade pupils or $60 for the three, and $50 for the one in high school, making a total of $110. This includes all books, stationary, pens, pencils and everything the pupil needs. The parent does not have to purchase so much as a slate pencil during the whole term of nine months. For this the non-property holder assessed with an occupation tax of $100 pays the munificent sum of $1.50 a year in taxes. This is about as near something for nothing as can well be realized.

In addition the non-property holder has all the benefits of the borough improvements—paved streets, lights, sewers, police protection, public and civic advantages, for the munificent sum of $1.50 a year. The amount of taxes he pays to the borough, including the county, is the exorbitant sum of thirty-seven and one-half cents. The total taxes such a citizen would pay in Charleroi is $2.97½ for all the benefits he gets from borough, schools, county and State. In addition the non-property owner has eighteen months in which to pay this tax, with a chance to evade it by moving out of the district before it can be collected.

Sewage Conservation

The proposed visit of the Charleroi and North Charleroi councils to Washington to inspect the sewage disposal plant there preparatory to installing one here is suggestive of man's wastefulnes as compared with the process of nature. Instead of putting back to the land an equivalent for what is taken from it, as does Mother Nature, man defaults in the payment of the greater part of his sustenance, and future generations pay the penalty in the diminishing yield of the earth's fruitfulness.

Nowhere is this type of wastefulness more vividly portrayed than by Victor Hugo in a chapter in his masterpiece, Les Miserables, descriptive of the great sewer system of Paris, entitled, "The Earth Impoverished by the Sea." In this the author dwells upon the terrible waste of pouring into the sea the refuse of a million and more of people grouped in a single community, instead of putting in back on the land as nature intended. Because of the wastefulnss on the part of man the earth, which is constantly contributing to his sustenance, is being exhausted. It is producing less every year and humanity is paying the penalty.

Nature is never wasteful. Left to herself she repairs the ravages of the sustenance derived from the soil by vegetable and animal life. The leaves fall to the ground and the chemical action of resolving them back to the elements from whence they came restores the fertility of the soil. Animal life, including mankind, is destined to fulfil the same mission of returning again to the dust of the earth which sustained them when in life. It is only when artificial methods of dealing with the waste of the earth reach their highest state of efficiency that the results are most direful.

Every particle of sewage should somehow go back to the land to preserve and restore its fertility. Until this is done the productive forces of the earth will never reach their highest state of efficiency in supplying the wants of humanity. The system of disposing of sewage is now to get rid of it when every effort should be made to save it. Some time this order will be reversed, and the conservation of sewage will be one of the important economic factors with which general and local governments will have to deal.

A Real Benefit

Congressman Victor Murdock of Kansas comes to the front with a bill which he proposes to introduce in Congress that will rival the pure food bill in importance in the domestic economy of the nation. This is a pure fabric bill, which is designed to compel manufacturers and dealers to correctly label every kind of fabric that is made in order to protect the public. The proposed measure does not prohibit the manufacture of anything that is now made, but it proposes to regulate the sale to such an extent that every buyer knows exactly what he is purchasing.

This pure fabric bill would protect the purchaser from getting gouged on an all-wool suit sold for $15, that was cotton or shoddy and should sell for perhaps half that figure. Misrepresentations in the clothing line constitute one of the greatest and most expensive frauds that are perpetrated upon a gullible public, and when a dealer is liable to fine and imprisonment for selling shoddy for "all wool and a yard wide," the people will be surprised at the money they will save in their clothing bills. There is no reason why shoddy or imitation wool goods should not be manufactured, but they should be sold for exactly what they are the same as oleomargerine.

Mr. Murdock asserts that as the government in the pure food law protects the people from fraud in what they put into their stomachs, it has equal jurisdiction in affording protection on what they put on their backs. A hard fight is anticipated before a pure a fabric law can be enacted, as unscrupulous dry goods people and clothiers will find their big source of profit gone if they have to sell imitation wool goods for exactly what they are. Nevertheless such a regulation will reduce the price of clothing infinitely more than the repeal of "Schedule K" of the tariff law.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

If all actors are worthy of their hire, and all got exactly what they are worth some would be inmates of the poor house.

The Connellsville Courier remarks that poker has been reduced to a science in Uniontown, and that the authorities have a proper regard for science.

A muscular Turk from Samboul
Tried to twist off the tail of a mule;
The coroner's ju-
Ry the corpse did view,
And rendered the verdict, "Damphule."

Hereafter in Tacoma, Wash., a man doesn't dare ask another to drink with him. That's a hardship for the fellows who never got into the habit of paying for their own booze.

She—"You promised to treat me at the first opportunity."

He—"But the first opportunity passed and you weren't there."

The man who presents himself with a Christmas present will be ahead of the game, because then he'll get what he wants instead of a sofa cushion.

The old man's check book is the star member of the family during the Christmas shopping season.

Monessen has gulped down a good many disgusting exhibitions, but the turning point has come with a burlesque troupe unfortunate enough to bear the brunt.

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The Tale of a Key.

There is a roll top desk in an office near Wall street which can be bought cheap. The owner is a commuter and has desk room in a large office. He came late the other day and discovered that he had forgotten his keys. No key at hand would unlock the desk. The maker could not give aid for an hour or more, and some papers had to be reached before noon. The desk was forcibly opened, and two inner compartments were smashed. Warm and tired from the exertion of wrecking his property, the man took off his coat and slipped into an office coat, in the pocket of which his keys jingled. Tableau! Before going home he confided to the office boy that he wouldn't care if he hadn't told.—New York Tribune.

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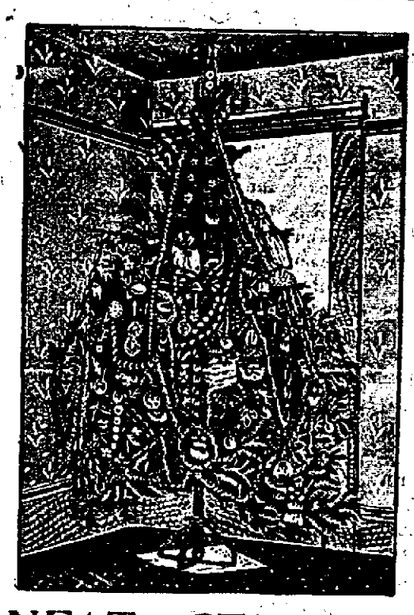

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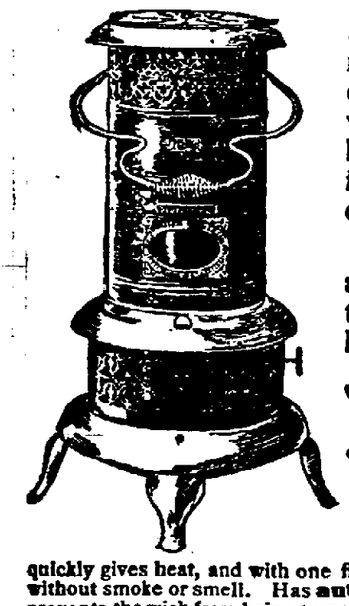

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William is the only son of a pious minister, and, though he is only three and a half years of age, his father considers it quite time he learned properly to observe grace on coming to the table. His parents have more than once endeavored to explain to him the reasons for his so doing, but the little boy regards it as no more than an amusing game.

The other afternoon his older sister made another attempt to interest him in this duty. All were seated at dinner, and on the first words of the grace William's small head dropped in his hands in apparent reverence. His sister, secretly pleased with her success, stole a glance at him, when, to the consternation of the family, he sprang up, shouting gleefully:

"Oh, Sis, you're it! I saw you peep!"—Woman's Home Companion.

Adam's Sister.

The palm tree has always been venerated wherever it grows; in some places it is worshiped. "Honor the palm tree," says a Mohammedan writer, "for she is your father's aunt, for this tree was formed of the remainder of the clay from which Adam was created."

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REFRIGERATOR CARS.

Evolution of the Idea of "an Icebox on Wheels."

The refrigerator car was never invented, but just "fixed up." It was the idea of a New England railway man who needed some such thing as far back as 1851.

In June of that year the first refrigerator car is said to have made its trip from Ogdensburg, N. Y., to Boston. The car owed its origin principally to the fact that the farmers near Ogdensburg, who made a great deal of butter, were unable to ship it except in cold weather.

A railroad man named Wilder, at that time in charge of the through freight, thought it would be a good idea to rig up "an icebox on wheels," and he told this to the president of the road, who gave orders that the master mechanic should plan several of them.

At this time farmers were receiving only 12 cents a pound for their butter. The iced car was loaded with eight tons of it, sent through and allowed to stand in Boston till the product was sold. It brought 17 cents a pound after paying all expenses and commissions, and the plan was voted a success. In a short time the road had a regular service on, using a number of cars, and the idea spread rapidly.

Wilder did not patent his idea, but allowed it to be used by whoever so desired.—St. Louis Republic.

ODD VOLUMES.

They Are Members of a Unique Dining Club In London.

One of the most unique dining clubs in London is that known as the Sette of Odd Volumes, which was founded in 1878 and meets once a month from October to June. It consists of twenty-one volumes, or members, that being the number of the volumes of the Variorum Shakespeare published in 1821. There are also twenty-one supplementary members, who succeed to full membership as vacancies occur. The twenty-one rules of the club include the following:

Any Odd Volume losing his temper and failing to recover it shall be fined by the president the sum of 5 shillings.

Discussions about anthropology, religion and politics shall be put down by the president.

Any Odd Volume giving to another Odd Volume unasked advice shall be fined by the president.

No Odd Volume shall talk unasked on any subject he understands.

No Odd Volume's speech shall last longer than three minutes. If, however, the inspired Odd Volume has any more to say he may proceed until his voice is drowned in the general applause.

Volumes have to address each other as "Your Oddship."—Argonaut.

The Major's Tip.

When Major Banks was the best known figure around the race tracks of Cincinnati and the middle west he was extremely generous in tipping off his friends to "sure winners." One man who enjoyed his confidence and played the horses according to the major's advice lost all his ready money and finally succeeded in reducing himself to the point where he had to sell out his grocery business.

One afternoon, following the placing of his last ten dollar note as the major advised, he caught Banks by the arm and said tragically:

"Major, you've made me lose my last cent. I'm a pauper, and my wife and family are practically starving. I am now about to go down to the river and drown myself. It's all over for me."

"All right," answered Banks, "but in the event you change your mind meet me here at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. I think I'll have something good for you."—Exchange.

Kongo Tattooing.

In the Kongo colonies of Belgium both men and women are tattooed according to their status in society. A woman of high caste will have a design not unlike a zouave jacket worked upon her back, and it would seem that the native is as content with this mode of covering as if it were a substitute for clothing. By injecting the juice of certain herbs the scars left by the tattooing process retain a swollen appearance, giving the effect of bas-relief work. The thorns of the acacia are generally used as a needle, while a certain black clay is used as a coloring medium.

Classified.

Was there ever a better example of the witty and concise form of expression than the answer of the grim man who, when asked about the character of a neighbor, sententiously replied:

"Mister, I don't know very much about him, but my impression is he'd make a first class stranger."—Exchange.

Frigid.

Nell—That Miss Copleigh is an awfully cold sort of girl. Belle—Mercy, yes. Why, she's so frigid that wherever she goes on rainy days it snows.—Boston Transcript.

Irish Wit.

"I never give alms to a stranger," said old Shyster to a poor Irishwoman.

"Shure, then, your honor will never relieve an angel," was the reply.—Judge.

Condemned Unheard.

From a notice in a Cornish church: "The preacher for next Sunday will be found hanging in the church porch on Saturday."—London Punch.

Cleanse the fountain if you would purify the streams.—Alcott.

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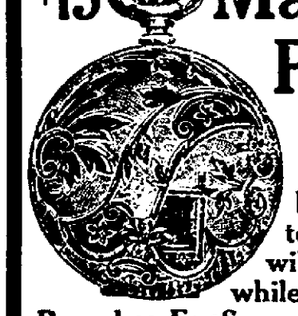

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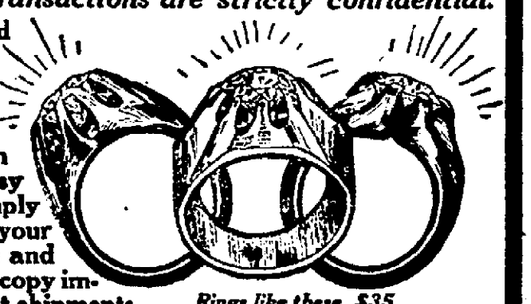

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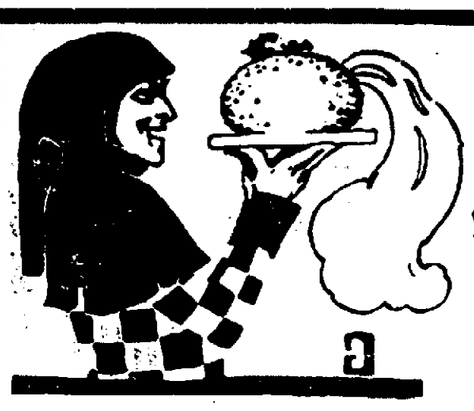

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TULIP MADNESS.

The Craze That Raged In Holland In the Last Century.

During the tulip craze in Holland in the last century in one year the sales aggregated 10,000,000 florins. Holland went tulip mad. The bulbs were quoted on the Stock Exchange. Ownership in them was divided into shares. Speculators sold them short. At one time more tulips were sold than existed. At Lille a brewer sold his trade and good will in exchange for a bulb, which was thereafter known as the Brewery tulip. In Amsterdam a father gave one by way of dower with his child. Thereafter the variety was known as the Marriage of My Daughter. At Rotterdam a hungry sailor, happening on a few, mistook them for onions and ate them. The repast became as famous as Cleopatra's pearls and probably exceeded it in cost. At The Hague a poor fellow managed to raise a black tulip. The rumor of that vegetable marvel spread. Presently he was visited by a deputation from a syndicate. For that ewe lamb of his the deputation offered 1,000 florins, which he refused. He was offered 10,000 florins. Still he refused. Cascades of gold were poured before his resisting eyes. Finally, tormented and tempted, he succumbed. There and then the deputation trampled that tulip under their feet. Afterward it appeared that the syndicate had already grown a gem precisely similar and, unable to bear the idea that a rival existed, had authorized the deputation if needful to offer ten times the amount which it paid.

PICKED AN ODD NAME.

An Author's Long Search and a Subsequent Surprise.

When Albion W. Tourgee wrote "A Fool's Errand" he named one of his leading characters Theron Pardee. An early copy of the book fell into the hands of the Rev. Luther Pardee, an Episcopal clergyman of Chicago, whose father was named Thereon Pardee. The name is such an unusual combination that in amazement the rector showed the book to his father, and they were both puzzled by the coincidence. They decided to write Judge Tourgee and ask him what had led him to use the name. He replied, in equal amazement, that he had not supposed there was such a man living as a Theron Pardee. Then he stated that he had a prolonged search for a suitable name for the character of his story—one that would express just what he imagined this character to be. In the course of the hunt an old copy of the curriculum of Union college had fallen into his hands. It was dated 1825, or something as far back, and among the names of the students was one Thereon Pardee. The judge said it had impressed him as being one of the richest, most solid and most satisfying names he ever had heard, so he decided to adopt it for his character. The curriculum was so old that he had no hesitation in using the name, and he was astonished to learn that the rightful owner of it was living. His explanation was accepted and the resulting acquaintance was pleasing all around. —New York Press.

The Arab Plowman.

To see an Arab steering a yoke of oxen, one hand pressed upon the single stem of the plow and the other holding the long, slim goad, is to see a living illustration of how Elisha looked and moved when Elijah found him plowing and cast his cloak upon him in significant symbolism of his destiny. It has often been remarked that, while imperishable relics of Roman stonework abound in northern Africa in the form of bridges, aqueducts and so forth, the impress left on the people themselves by the greatest civilizing power that ever existed is extraordinarily slight. Only in some such insignificant details as the names of the months in the Kabyle dialect is the stamp of Rome still visible, and in the system of hiring labor in the Tell there survives a custom belonging to the early days of the Roman republic.—Wide World Magazine.

Good at Arithmetic.

"For goodness' sake, John, how long did you boil these eggs?"

"Just as long as you told me to, my dear."

"Impossible! They're hard as bricks."

"I boiled them just twelve minutes."

"Twelve! Why, I told you that three minutes was long enough for an egg!"

"Yes, dear, but I boiled four of them."—Toledo Blade.

A Very L.

There was once in [illegible] Creek an odd character named Burns. He was an odd person who always, no matter what his work, wore what used to be called a "Prince Albert." He struck a rich vein of ore and named that the Prince Albert. Being of a generous and convivial disposition, this lucky fellow was, of course, surrounded by many self seeking friends. When he and they were in their cups some of them, with an eye to the main chance, managed to wheedle out of Burns on one pretext or another a deed of a share in his mine. With royal prodigality he scattered deeds about among his retainers and camp followers until finally something had to be done, and the case was taken into court. One of the lawyers had Burns on the stand. "Now, Mr. Burns," said the lawyer, "will you please tell the court how you can explain your conduct? The evidence shows that you have deeded away twenty-nine twenty fourths of your mine. What have you to say to that?" "Well, sir," replied the witness, "you must remember, sir, that the Prince Albert is a very large mine."

A Cleanup.

The three amateur sharpers smiled. They thought they had found an easy mark. He was well dressed and grossly inebriated. And he bore a tight roll of bills that looked like a bologna sausage.

"Boys," he thickly said, "I'm goin to shend thish wad of shtuff to th gov'ment laundry an' have it dry cleaned. It's sho fearful dirty. Maybe one of you gents would kindly shee it's addreshed to proper place?"

"Why, yes," replied the gang. "We'll take care of it."

"Thanks," replied the victim. "An now I mush ashk you to lemme have a few clean bills for emergeusish don't you know."

So they searched themselves and gave him a new twenty and a ten and a five. Then, taking the soiled wad they hurried away.

Two days later the three clever ones were arrested for having counterfeit money in their possession.

But the guileless inebriate was seen no more.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Corn Diplomat.

"Splen-did!" exclaimed the old colonel as C company passed the saluting base.

"Did you hear wot ole nasty face ses?" No. 3 of the front rank asked No. 4.

"Stand fast after parade, No. 4, for talking in the ranks!" snapped a sergeant from near by.

"It wasn't me talkin'!" muttered No. 4.

"You'd better not git two on us in trouble," advised No. 3 in a whisper.

"Talking while marching past!" echoed the adjutant. "What on earth did you find to talk about then?"

"As we was passing the salutin' base," explained No. 4, "the colonel ses, 'Splendid!' 'Yes,' I ses to meself, an' you've got the smartest officer in the British army to thank for makin' us splendid, and that's our adjutant.'"

"Er—sergeant, send the man away and don't bring such frivolous complaints before me again," snapped the adjutant.—London Answers.

The Change of a Word.

"You wouldn't think there'd be enough difference between the definite and the indefinite article to matter much, would you?" said a woman who writes for a living. "I made a lifelong enemy of a woman once just by writing 'the' where I meant 'a.' It was an account of her wedding I was doing. I said something about the ceremony being performed at the home of the bride's aunt, and then I added that there were present 'only the few friends of the family.' The bride never got over that 'the' in front of few. It happened five years ago, and when my name is mentioned she still froths at the mouth."—Washington Post.

Beaver Tales.

The Indians say that if a beaver sent out from the parents' lodge fails to find a mate he is set to repair the dam. If he fails a second time he is banished.

An Arab writer has the same story. He tells us that those who buy beaver skins can distinguish between the skins of masters and slaves. The latter have the hair of the head rubbed off because they have to pound the wood for their masters' food and do it with their heads.

Seek knowledge as if thou wert to be here forever.—Herder.

What They Ate.

Tobias Smollett wrote his "Humphrey Clinker" in 1771, the last year of his life, giving therein a spirited account of the society and customs then prevailing in London town. He exposed the iniquities practiced by the purveyors of provisions at that time. Oysters were "bloated" and "floated" then as now; veal was whitened by repeated bleedings of the live animal; greens were boiled with brass half pence to improve the color; the wine in common use was a "pernicious sophistication, balderdashed with cider, corn spirit and the juice of sloes," and other revelations not suited to repetition in this polite age indicated that almost every article of diet was profitably "treated" before it reached the ultimate consumer. That "bleached" flour is no new commodity was also shown, while Smollett's added comment furnishes excellent food for reflection:

"The bread I eat in London is a deleterious paste, mixed up with chalk, alum and bone ashes, insipid to the taste and destructive to the constitution. The good people are not ignorant of this adulteration, but they prefer it to wholesome bread because it is whiter than the meal of corn."—Washington Post.

Fires and Insurance.

The agent of a well known insurance company stood on the fringe of the crowd watching the firemen retiring from the scene of a small blaze in an uptown flathouse.

"I'll do business tomorrow morning," said he grimly, "and most of it will be with women who have 'forgotten' their insurance has run out. There's nothing like a blaze on the block to set thoughts in the direction of insurance. Last week a woman was waiting for me when I opened my office. Her husband had given her money to take out insurance weeks before, and she had spent it for a new hat. The night before a fire had broken out on the second flat above theirs, and, believe me, that woman must have suffered tortures until the fate of the house was settled. She paid the premium in small change, which I believe she took from a child's bank, rather than confess her neglect to her husband."—New York World.

The Poor.

We all love the poor. It would be entirely unnecessary, if not positively caddish, to say that we hate the poor. But there are two kinds of poor—the individual poor and the collective poor. It is not the individual poor that we love; it is the collective poor. It is not the poor that we know and see, but the poor that we do not know and see, but have neither time nor inclination to look at. We are afraid if we see them we shall cease to love them. We never say, "God bless the iceman, or the coal heaver, or the motorman." For them we find our execrations for not contributing to our comfort just so and so and so.

It is with great fervor, however, that we can say, "God bless the poor," because the poor do not interfere with our comfort to the slightest degree.—Life.

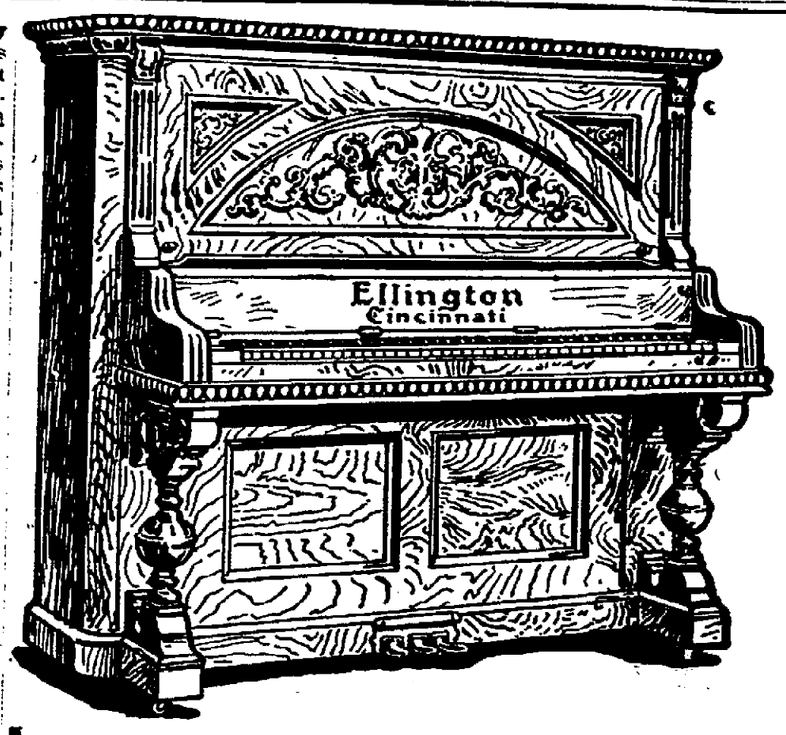
Kingsley's Stammering.

Charles Kingsley loved talking, had an enormous deal to say on every conceivable subject and longed to say it. But his stammer was always checking him. He gurgled and gasped and made faces and would sometimes break off in a conversation or a meal, rush out into the open air and liberate his suppressed emotions by rapid exercise or physical exertion. Yet, as has often been observed in similar cases, when he had to preach the stammer subsided, and, though there was some facial contortion, the flow of the discourse was never interrupted. He said to his friend Tom Hughes, "I could be as great a talker as any man in England but for my stammering. When I am speaking for God in the pulpit or paying by bedsides I never stammer. My stammer is a blessed thing for me. It keeps me from talking in company and from going out as much as I should do but for it."—G. W. E. Russell in Winchester Guardian.

Different Altogether.

Visitor (consolingly to Tommy, who has upset a bottle of ink on the new carpet)—Tut, my boy, there is no use crying over spilt milk.

Tommy—Course not. Any duffer knows that. All you've got to do is call in the cat and she'll lick it up. But this don't happen to be milk, an' mamma will do the lickin'.



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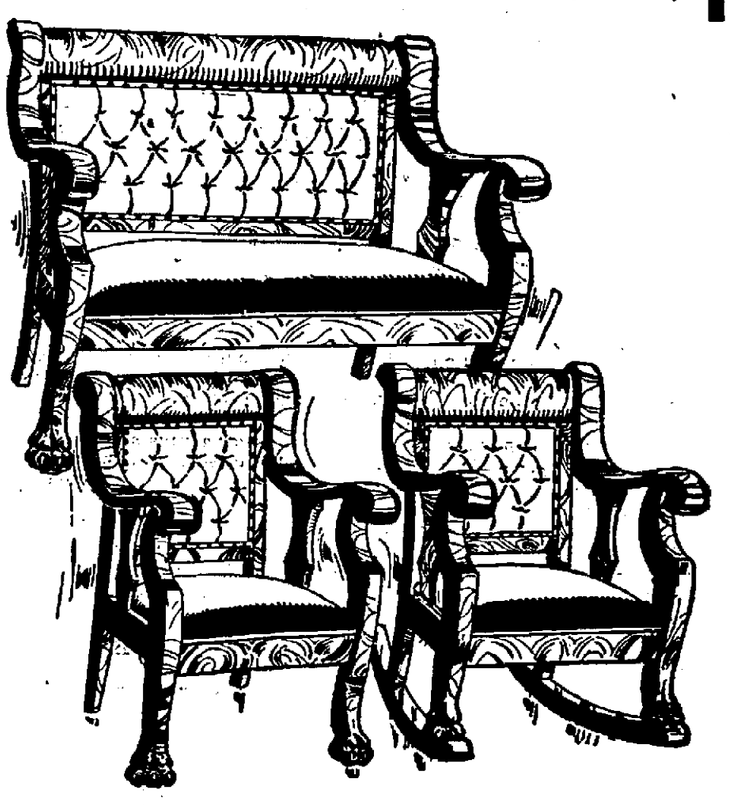

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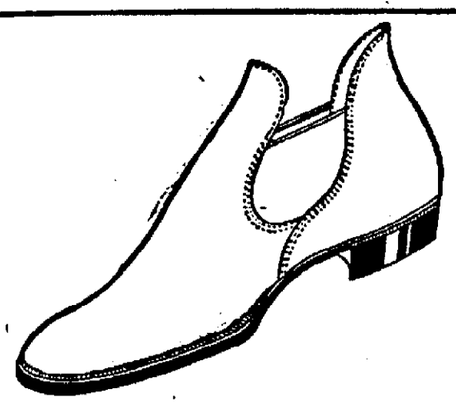

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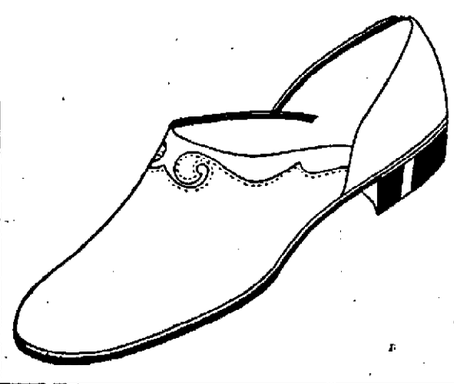

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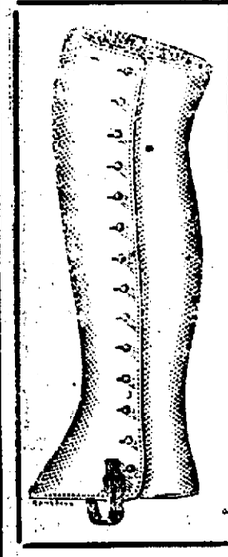

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Men's gum boots	$2.49
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Ladies' warm shoes	.98
Ladies' Juliets	.98
Ladies' dancing slippers	1.69
Men's dancing pumps in dull and patent	2.45

Sample Shoe Store

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CURIOUS COLOR NAMES.

There Was Once an Extensive Group of Flea Shades.

"Puce," which was for a long time the name given an exceedingly popular hue, is when translated from the French simply "flea." It appears that the accidental admission of a flea at a court festivity in France and the subsequent discovery and capture of the uninvited guest gave rise to a host of jokes and anecdotes, and so a new color was jocularly named in the insect's honor. Indeed, there was an extensive group of flea shades—old flea, young flea, flea's foot, lively flea and others. Puce, which was a kind of drab, is still familiar to the reading public through its frequent mention in literature, drama and letters of noted personages in the past.

Few of us, however, know anything of the following colors, each of which was a favorite in its day and as familiar to the speech of fashionable ladies and gentlemen as are the cerise, old rose, etc., of our own time. Here is a little list of them.

Marathon blue, drooping poppy, green of the Oreads, triumph of Aspasia, robe of Venus, bridal blush, canary's tail, merry hunter, flying chaff, dolphin about to die, thundercloud, innocent infant, caterpillar brown, fading hope, Cinderella russet, smoke of Vesuvius, penitent hermit, dissolving pearl, Cupid's feather, captain's glory, beautiful savage, ambushed wild beast, rose of Eden, faithful shepherd, weary traveler's shoe, agitated nymph and dream of the beloved one pink.—Exchange.

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LOVELY LUCERNE.

The Tourist Center of the "Playground of Europe."

Lucerne, situated in the heart of Switzerland, stands, as it were, enshrined amid the grandest and most picturesque features of Alpine scenery and is, of course, the tourist center par excellence of the "Playground of Europe," three main lines of railway converging on the famous town beside the lake. Nor could nature, indeed, have well done more for "Lovely Lucerne," as all the world acclaims it (declares a writer in London Sketch). On one side [illegible] Rigi, on the other Pilatus [illegible], with between them [illegible] expanse of [illegible] Cantons and [illegible] road panorama [illegible] snow [illegible]

From the Rigi (6,000 feet), easily climbed by aid of its famous "mountain train," the view takes in the Bernina, Gothard, Unterwalden and Bernese Alps, stretching far and wide, from the Sentis in the east to the Blumlisalp in the west, and to northward the Jura mountains, the Black forest and the Vosges barrier between Frank and Teuton. From the Rigi some fourteen lakes are visible on a clear day, among them Sempach, by the shores of which was fought the famous battle where the Swiss won their freedom.

Why Tailors Sit Crosslegged.

A tailor making a dress coat sat crosslegged on a table, like a Turk. "Why do tailors always work in that uncomfortable position?" asked a visitor.

"Women's tailors don't. Only men's do," was the reply. "And for men's tailors it is the most comfortable and the most convenient position possible. You see, the sewing on men's clothes is very fine. The work must be held up close to the eyes. Well, in this position I lean the work on my elevated knees, and thus it is nearer my eyes, while at the same time my back remains straight. Analyzed, the position is a [illegible]ne. It keeps the back straigh[illegible] chest out, the knees make [illegible]ose up to the face, and eye st[illegible]olded.

"Tailor[illegible] women sit on chairs. For one t[illegible], the sewing on women's clothes is less fine than on men's. For another, the woman's tailor has to get up every few minutes to go to the manikin, and all that rising, if he sat crosslegged on the floor, would tire him too much in the day's run."—New York Press.

The Family Scrap Book.

Mrs. Sauers (to Willy as minister calls to see Mr. Sauers)—Willy, is your father in? Willy—Yes; he's upstairs looking over your scrap book. Mrs. Sauers (puzzled)—You mean my family account book? Willy—Well, it's all the same. He and you always have a scrap every time he goes over it.

A Varnishing Tip.

When varnishing wood the work must be done in a warm room at a temperature of at least 75 degrees F. At a lower temperature the moisture in the air will give a milky and cloudy appearance to the varnish. On the other hand, at the higher temperature the moisture is not precipitated until the alcohol of the varnish has sufficiently evaporated to leave a thin smooth film of shellac. The durability and gloss are dependent on this.

GIFTS FOR MEN!

WE GIVE GREEN STAMPS

Here are a few suggestions taken at random from our stock. We have many more articles in Men's Wear suitable for gifts and suggest that you take time to look over our offerings and note our money saving prices

SHIRTS

Handsome designs and colors, all sizes, regular and coat styles. Also fine flannel with collars in gray, blue and brown. This is an exceptional line, even for our store.

Prices

50c to $2

NECKWEAR

Pretty novelties in the latest shades, also gift sets consisting of Handkerchief, Necktie and Hose in matched colors in gift boxes, price range

25c to $1.00

GLOVES

For men and boys, dress gloves, lined gloves, wool gloves and gauntlets, all leathers and made right for fit and wear.

Price range

25c to $2.50

HANDKERCHIEFS

Anyone can be suited in this line. Silk and linen sanitary handkerchiefs in sealed packs 3 for 25c, Initial hdkfs 2 for 25c, others up to

50c

MUFFLERS

The Way cold excluding mufflers, buttons up close, in shades of grey, maroon, brown and blue, each in a box, 50c.

Full dress mufflers, 1.50 values at

$1.00

SUIT CASES AND BAGS

A very strong line, every one is personally selected and we know they are good.

Suit Cases

$1 to $8

Bags in very best leather, large and roomy, London and Club shapes.

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$2.50 to $10

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What Shall I Give?

GIFTS THAT ARE USEFUL ARE ALWAYS ACCEPTABLE

Articles that are useful make an ideal gift, they give the recipient pleasure every day, and remind one of the giver in a substantial way that affords days of useful satisfaction.

Do your Christmas shopping without delay. Find out how much your Christmas money will buy here. Nowhere else will you find a more complete line of articles suitable for use as Christmas gifts which combine utility, beauty and individuality for every member of the family. We suggest a few of the many things to be found here:

For Father or Brother

There are shirts, ties, handkerchiefs, muffiers, suspenders, sox in boxes, stick pins, cuff buttons, arm bands, hose supporters, soft leather collar bags, sweater coats or jerseys for the boy. Then there are Cowboy gloves and Scotch gloves, for the little fellows. Smoking jackets, bath robes, and many other things in clothing. Maybe they would appreciate a nice cap or hat.

For Mother or Sister

For the ladies there are collars, belts, stick pins, belt, pins, hat pins, pearl combs, side combs, manicuring sets, brush, comb and mirror sets, scarfs, art goods, handkerchiefs, ties, brooches and hundreds of other things indispensible to the neatly dressed woman.

Then there are table linens, towels, dress goods, dress and waist patterns; and in the ready-to-wear department—coats, suits, furs, silk petticoats, lawn, linen, mull and silk waists and many other things that would bring joy in a woman's heart.

FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

We have Clothing for the whole family from grandfather down to baby, and articles which would be appreciated by the recipient. There are suits, coats and top coats for the men and boys; suits, coats, furs dresses and waists for the women and children.

Our basement is overflowing with dolls for the small children, pyrography outfits, and the stamped wood to use with them, China of all descriptions, in sets and single pieces—something for every member of the family. Then there are rugs in the carpet department, from the small door mat to the large room size rug.

Books for the Little Folks **Books for the Grown-ups.**

In addition to the above we suggest a warm muffler, a nice pair of soft warm gloves for either lady or gentleman, an umbrella, suit case or hand bag. These are gifts that are useful and always acceptable.

Do not make your selection until you have gone through our stock.

BERRYMAN'S

Fifth Street and McKean Avenue
Charleroi, Penn.

LOCAL MENTION

Interesting News Items Condensed for Busy Readers.

Mrs. William Vance of near Carmichaels is here for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Reever of Fallowfield avenue.

Cardon Jimeson has returned home from Mercersburg Academy to spend the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jimeson of Lincoln avenue.

John Porter, after spending two years in Georgia, West Virginia, and other States has gone back to his old position as foreman in one of the Pittsburg Plate Glass works' departments.

Don't waste your money on nonsense or tinsel. Bring the children to our store and get them a new outfit of clothing. You save half and you can begin paying next year. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield Avenue. 115t2

Gifts for men—Neckwear, shirts, hosiery, gloves, hats, overcoats, in the very latest designs and colors. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean. 108tf

Music Cabinet to match your piano at Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

Everything suitable for the men folks as well as the women at Berryman's. 114t2

If you are short of money we are ready to clothe you now at half price. Begin to pay next year. If you are honest you are good to us. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue. 115t2

Ewing Blaker of Fordtcye, Greene county, is spending a few days in Charleroi as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Blaker of Second street.

A marriage license has been granted to Walter S. Jack and Miss Cora E. Hott both of Charleroi.

David Gray and Miss Viola Keifer both of Charleroi have been granted a marriage license.

Holly for Holiday Decorations. Genuine Natural Green Holly with plenty of berries in Wreaths or loose at Haube's, 428 Fallowfield avenue. Both phones. D-24

Buy him a nice suit or overcoat at Berryman's. 114t2

Pianos for gifts—why not, the best are here, Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

A tribe of Sioux Indians just arrived in town 3 to 10 years of age. See them at Berryman's Store, only $1 per suit. 115t2

Buy him a house coat and he will stay at home. Berryman's have them. 114t2

A bathrobe will solve the problem. We have them at Berryman's. 114t2

A new line of Persian ties just received. They have been our big sellers. Berryman's. 114t2

Handsome Buffets to complete your dining room at Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

I have a nice upright piano in Charleroi which I will give the use of this winter for its storage. Address Stenographer, 951 Century Building, Pittsburg, Pa. D-30

Genuine Natural Holly in wreaths and loose at Haube's, 428 Fallowfield avenue. D-24

Dinner Sets, fancy china and tobie sets. Double stamps till Xmas. Barger's, 415 Fallowfield avenue. 107t10

Something nice for the men: Suspenders, Hose Supporters and Arm Bands in matched sets put up in pretty gift boxes. Murdock and McCarty—151 McKean avenue. 110t8

Buy your dolls at Barger's. Double stamps on all Xmas goods. Dolls 25 cents to $2.50, 415 Fallowfield avenue. 107t10

Misses and childrens Jockey Shoes in all sizes at Adolphs'. 115t2

Santa will deliver all your packages in Adolph's automobile. 115t2

Mrs. Henry Furnier and son Lynn of McKean avenue left this morning for Gallatin, Tenn., where they will spend some time with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Jacobs are spending the day in Pittsburg.

FOUND—Muff at Postoffice. Owner may have same by calling at postoffice and paying for this ad. 115t1

Governor-elect J. K. Tener is expected home this evening from Washington to spend Christmas.

For your Christmas Slippers see Adolph. 115t2

Men's and ladies slippers 98c. See Adolph. 115t2

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HOW MUCH IS YOUR STOMACH WORTH

It's worth almost as much as your life; how much is that worth? Piper Bros. has a remedy that keeps the stomach right and makes it right when it goes wrong.

Mi-o-na is the name of the great stomach remedy and Piper Bros. guarantees it to cure the following stomach ailments and symptoms or money back:

Upset stomach, pain in stomach, belching of gas, biliousness.

Heartburn, sour stomach, lump of lead stomach, after dinner distress.

Nervousness and headache caused by stomach derangement.

That all-in feeling in the stomach after a night of sociability.

Bad effects of over-eating or drinking; sea or car sickness.

Vomiting of pregnancy, or any stomach distress.

Remember money back if it fails at Piper Bros. or leading druggists everywhere, and the price is only 50 cents a large box.

Card of Thanks

The Woman's Hospital Auxiliary desires to thank the public for the liberal donation on Thursday of last week. The public responded most liberally, and the result is highly appreciated.

The People's Store is offering great reductions on their enormous stock of men's clothing. Best opportunity for before Christmas buyers. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue. Next door to 5 and 10 cent store. 115t2

Novelties for men—handkerchiefs, neckties and hose, matched sets in holiday boxes Leslie Campbell Co., 413 McKean avenue, Charleroi. We give green stamps. 114t3

Classified Ads

WANTED—Good washerwoman, to take washing home. Inquire 115 Mail office. 115t3

FOR SALE—I will offer at public sale Tuesday, Jan. 11, 1911, at the premises situated, No. 101—103—107 Luella avenue, Charleroi Pa., two double dwelling houses of brick construction containing 24 rooms, being 4 six-room dwelling houses. Will sell separate or to suit purchaer. For any information see J. E McCardle. 91t3w

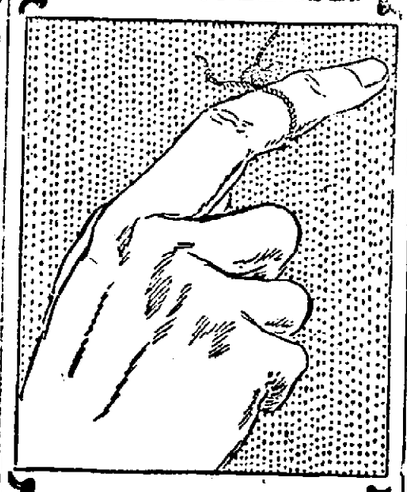
WANTED—A seamstress at the People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi. 114t2

LOST—Oval shaped tortoise shell belt pin with ladies' head carved on it. Set in gold rim. Finder please return to 47 Mail office. 113t4

WANTED—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Prefer near Fourth or Fifth streets on Washington or Fallowfield. Address 12 Mail office. 111tf

FOR RENT—One furnished room. Apply 132 Mail office. 90tfp

REMEMBER



That we have every facility for turning out neat printing of all kinds. Letter heads, bill heads, office stationery, etc., furnished at the lowest prices first class work will permit.

Priest's Advice Led to Their Recovery

Thin, weak, or frail people—those who "take cold easily" and sufferers of Bronchitis and Asthma, should be prepared with Eckman's Alterative in the house. Remarkable cures of even Tuberculous (Consumptive) persons are often accomplished. Here are two instances:—

Gentlemen: "On Jan. 3, 1907, I was operated upon for Tubercular Peritonitis at St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, N. Y. After the operation my physicians gave me up. I was then urged by a priest to take Eckman's Alterative, which I did. My weight at the time was 72 lbs. I began to improve and steadily gained in health and strength. I now weigh 125 lbs., and am absolutely cured."
(Signed Affidavit) EDNA FINZER.
90 Savannah St., Rochester, N. Y.

Gentlemen: "I was troubled with Asthma and Bronchitis for seventeen years. After trying many remedies, Eckman's Alterative was recommended to me by our Parish Priest. I am now feeling fine. I cannot praise it enough."
(Signed Affidavit) Anna Mae McEntee.
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WHY?
Because:
Your money is safer in the bank than anywhere else.
Paying your bills by check is the simplest and most convenient method.
Your check becomes a voucher for the debt it pays.
It gives you a better standing with business men.
Money in the bank strengthens your credit.
A bank account teaches, helps and encourages you to save.
This bank does all the bookkeeping.
Your bank book is a record of your business.
To those desiring Banking Connections with an old established bank, we extend our services.
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Children! Children!! My! what a noise!
But it's not the children—it's your head
ANTI-ACHE
"Cures headache in a flash."
Soothes and quiets—Puts your head in a quiet, normal condition—clear as a bell—free from pain—Does not affect the heart.
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45 McKean Avenue
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Boys short pants, suits and overcoats at 10 per cent off regular price and double green stamps with each purchase. Leslie Campbell Co. 413 McKean avenue Charleroi. 114t3

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won't know where to do his shopping unless you tell him you can supply many of his needs.
Get wise, Mr. Merchant, advertise in this paper NOW and tell him of your stock of goods.

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CHARLEROI SCHOOL DISTRICT THE SECOND OF WASHINGTON COUNTY

Borough of Washington Only Town to Surpass it in Number of Teachers

AMOUNT SPENT YEARLY

Costs the Borough Over $24,000 To Employ Competent Instructors--average Salary is $58.53.

Charleroi not only is second in point of population in Washington county, but it is also second in school district enrollment of pupils, number of teachers employed, valuation and general efficiency of schools being considered. Washington, which is more than twice as large as Charleroi, is the leading school town.

According to calculations made for the School Annual, published in connection with the county teachers' institute, the sum of $24,124.20 is extended yearly for teachers' wages in Charleroi borough. To be exact $2,750.72 is spent per month for teacher hire, this sum including the superintendent's salary. The average salary is $58.53 per month, with the term nine months. Washington borough has a payroll for teachers of $61,790.02 and the average is over $60 per month for salary.

Charleroi has 42 schools and employs 44 female teachers and three male teacher. The average monthly salary for male teachers is $112 and for female teachers $54.88. The cost for each pupil per month in the grades, as near as can be estimated is $1.60, much less than in many other districts, ranking similar to the Charleroi schools. The number of male scholars enrolled is $58 and the female enrollment is 1,059. The average daily attendance is 1,916. An average per cent of attendance of 95 is attained.

School property owned by Charleroi broough is estimated at $230,000. The millage levied for all school purposes is 15 mills, the highest in the county, Roscoe the next below paying 14 mills. Washington has a levy of 10 mills. The total amount of the levy is $47,785. The amount spent for text books by the estimate is $1,857 annually and the amount spent for supplies, $6.27 more or $1,864.18. The State appropriation is $7,297.79. Washington borough has 100 teachers employed, with 91 schools to care for. The school property is valued at $715,000 and the amount of levy is $117,789.39. The borough secured $16,230.39 is State appropriation.

The figures as they are submitted show that the average taxpayer of Charleroi who does not own property and who has one child in school gets about $20.00 worth of privileges for $3.50 a year in common school and about $50.00 worth of privileges for the same amount in high school.

Xmas Dance

Dance Christmas afternoon and evening, Monday, December 26, Bank of Charleroi hall. Dancing from 2 to 5 and 7:30 to 1 o'clock. Jenkins orchestra. 114t2

Play dishes, books, and guns. Double stamps till Xmas at Barger's, 415 Fallowfield avenue. 107t10

TRIP TO COUNTY SEAT POSTPONED

Some Councilmen Unable to go Today so Visit is Called Off-

Councilman from Charleroi and North Charleroi did not go to Washington today on the proposed inspection trip to the Washington sewage disposal plant, owing to the near approach of Christmas, and the visit will be made sometime after the first of the new year. Some members of both councils could make the trip very well today, but others could not go on account of the busy time of the year, hence it was deemed advisable to call off the trip for the time being.

WEATHER PROMISES

Forcasters Prophesy Santa Claus Brand for Christmas

TODAY ONE OF COLDEST

Real Santa Claus weather is promised for this immediate section of Pennsylvania by the boss weather forecasters, and the weather this morning would indicate that no mistake had been made in the prophecy. The official temperature recorded at Lock No 4 this morning was six degrees above zero. It was one of the coldest mornings of the winter, but not the coldest, the mercury having traveled down to two below several days ago. Forecasters state that there will be little change in conditions until after Christmas but more snow may fall.

SOCCER GAMES ARE SCHEDULED

Monongahela Will Play Two Contests With Other Teams on Local Grounds

Two soccer games are scheduled for the Charleroi grounds, one on Saturday and another on Monday. The game on Saturday will be between the Monongahela and Beadling teams and will be called at 3:30 o'clock and the one on Monday will be between the Monongahela and Sturgeon teams, to be called at 3 o'clock. Both the Beadling and the Sturgeon teams are strong, and will give the Monongahela kickers a hard run.

Box Social

Benefit of Lock No. 4 Fire Department. To be held in Lock No 4. Borough Hall. Thursday night. December 22. The social will end with an old-fashioned square dance free to the public. Come one, come all. Refreshments served. 114t2

NIGHT FOREMAN IS KILLED AT MONESSEN

David Morris Struck by Heavy Lever and Dies at Hospital as Result of Injuries Received

WAS A WELL KNOWN MONONGAHELA VALLEY MAN

David Morris, a foreman at the Page Woven Wire works at Monessen, and a well-known resident of Monessen, died at the Monessen-Charleroi hospital today at 1 o'clock from injuries received last night while at work in the plant.

Morris who is about 33 years old, was employed at his usual night duties about the plant last night about 1 o'clock, when he was struck without warning by a heavy lever. He was thrown some distance, and his skull was fractured. Fellow workmen picked up his prostrate body and medical attention was secured. He was taken to the hospital shortly afterward.

Morris, was a well known man along the valley, having lived at Roscoe before moving to Monessen. He is survived by a widow and two small children.

WASHINGTON MAN FOUND DEAD AT MONONGAHELA

Contract Painter Thought to Have Committed Suicide by Taking Carbolic Acid In Hotel Room

CORONER WILL MAKE INVESTIGATION

Charles E. Groch, aged about 55 years, a contract painter of Washington, was found dead in his room at the Monongahela House in Monongahela this morning, after the door had been kicked in. Suicide was evident, as an empty glass on a table by the bedside contained a residue of carbolic acid, clearly indicating self-destruction.

Groch came to Monongahela on Tuesday, and meeting one of his friends there, Alderman Day, told him he was going to spend a few days in the city visiting his wife's relatives. He went to the Monongahela Hotel and registered, under the name of "George Smith," Pittsburg. Wednesday morning he appeared for breakfast and then returned to his room, and nothing more was heard of him.

This morning an attempt was made to open the door of the room, and it was found to be locked. Suspecting something wrong the hotel employes broke open the door and found the man lying dead on his bed.

No motive is given for suicide. Groch was married and had a wife and some children living in Washington. Coroner James T. Heffran has been notified and will make an investigation.

INFORMATION OF MUCH VALUE IN SCHOOL ANNUAL

A copy of the School Annual, published at Washington by W. P. Wilson and E. F. Westlake, in connection with the annual county teachers' institute, has been received in the Mail office and for valuable information concerning matters of interest to teachers and school patrons alike of the county is unsurpassed. L. R. Crumrine, the county superintendent of schools, is the editor of the publication. Among the most important items contained in the School Annual are the program for the institute, the program for the directors convention, county superintendent's report, reports of Washington and Charleroi Borough schools, table of summaries for county schools, table of high schools and the report of State Superintenden N. C. Schaffer to teachers.

Dancing School

Oatman's, Tuesday night Dancing School will meet Tuesday night, January 2, Bank of Charleroi. Beginner's Class at 7:30. 114t10

Children, this is Santa Claus headquarters, all the toys at Woodward's are new, no old stock—421 McKean avenue. 112t

See the pretty gift sets for men. Suspenders, supporters and arm bands in matched colors in gift boxes at Leslie Campbell Co.'s, 413 McKean avenue, Charleroi. We give green stamps. 114t3

WELL KNOWN FAYETTE CITY MAN DEAD

Neil Dougherty, 52 years old, a well known miner, is dead at his home in Fayette City from paralysis, a stroke of which he suffered 10 days ago. His demise occurred on Wednesday morning at 5:45 o'clock. The funeral will be held from St. Edward's Catholic church in Fayette City Friday morning at 11 o'clock, and interment will follow in Calvary cemetery. The Fayette City Order of Moose will have charge of the services, the deceased being a member. His widow and nine sons and daughters survive.

Supper and Dance

For the benefit of the Italian Catholic church at Turner Hall, Monday evening, December 26. Supper will be served from 5 to 8 o'clock p. m. Tickets 50 cents. Dancing after supper from 8 to 12 p. m. Gentlemen 25 cents, ladies 10 cents. 115t3

Dainty Princess Dressers, beautiful designs and finishes at Woodwards—421 McKean avenue. 112tf

New traveling bags and suit cases just received. They make just the right gift for him. Berryman's. 114t2

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ELECT OFFICERS FOR ENSUING YEAR

Royal Arcanum Installation Ceremonies Will Take Place in January

Officers have been elected by Charleroi Council No. 1240 Royal Arcanum, for the ensuing year as follows: Regent, J. O. Bechtel; vice regent, Otto Dorbitz; orator, Charles Wallgreen; chaplain, F. Powell; guide, A. Lape; treasurer, J. Fries; collector, J. B. Schaffer; secretary, Joseph Schoener; warden, F. Higgins; sentry, P. Esher; trustee, N. Greenberg; representative to grand council, G. T. Barger; alternate representative, E. I. Eckle; past regent, Fred Pieper. The officers will be installed in January.

RIVER GOES UP A FOOT

Rivermen Given Some Concern by Increased Stage

MUCH COAL IS TIED UP

A rise in the river of about a foot yesterday caused some anxiety among rivermen. The rise is said to be due to a let-up in weather conditions at southern points along the river. Shore bosses and watchmen in charge of the landings in the Monongahela and Ohio rivers, where more than 18,000,000 bushels of loaded coal is tied up, were taking extra precautions to protect the fleets from damage or being carried away if the ice formations in the upper pools should break and run out.

PASSION PLAY TO BE SEEN AT COYLE THEATRE

The Passion Play of Oberammergau, which was given this year, has been presented by the people of that village in Bavaria, Germany, every ten years since 1633. This year it was presented on a more magnificient scale than ever before, 700 people taking part. Manager John Penman of the Coyle Theatre has secured as an attraction for tonight and tomorrow night Steven DeVaraugh, who with moving pictures and original photographs will describe the above mentioned great event. This lecture and moving picture exhibition is said to be the best reproduction of the great Passion Play that has yet been presented.

Get Christmas Gifts for Men at a Man's Store. Everything is in correct style. We will help you in your selection. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean avenue. 108tf

Wednesday Big Day of Week---State Superintendent N. C. Schaffer Makes Address

TAKE FROM CIRRICULUM

Speaker Says Trouble is Not What to Put in the Course of Study But What to Take From it.

Yesterday was one of the most important days of the week at the Washington county institute, being held this week at Washington, and Dr N. C. Schaffer, the State superintendent of schools, Dr. S. C. Schmucker and Dr. S. D. Fess, of Ohio, made addresses. Prof. James G. Pentz, superintendent of the Charleroi schools returned from Washington this morning, to make arrangements for the trip of a number of teachers to Harrisburg next week and reports that the institute is fully as good if not better than the one last year.

Possibly the chief feature of yesterday's session was the address of Dr. Schaeffer. He spoke at a joint meeting of the teachers and directors on the topic "Course of Study." In his remarks he said that it is no longer a question of what can be injected into the common school curriculum, but what may be eliminated from it. He gave it as his opinion that essentials in teaching are lost sight of too much, stating that the high school has to do much which should be done in the lower grades. He suggested last that teachers in high school work should aim to prepare pupils for the work in their selected vocations as so many quit school work after graduation.

Dr. Schmucker talked on the subject of the physical history of Washington county, describing in detail the various changes which the county in common with Western Pennsylvania and other parts have undergone during the past million years. The conditions under which the county has passed causing the formation of the enormous coal beds found in the county and elsewhere were explained.

Tuesday morning Prof. Pentz made an address to the institute. He is one of the vice presidents of the institute.

Ready-Lowe

Albert A. Ready and Miss Ethel M. Lowe of Donora were maried here by Rev. J. T. Hacket, Saturday evening. They will live in Donora.

Business Men's Meeting

A special meeting of the Charleroi Business Men's Association has been called for this evening at 8:30 o'clock at the association rooms. Important business is scheduled.

The People's Store have received a large stock of Ladies and Men's Suits direct from their factory in New York, which will be sold at one half price. Call and get your Christmas present. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue. 115t2

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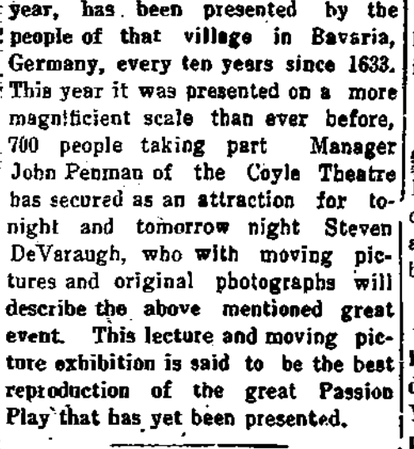

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Dec. 22 In American History.

1807—The embargo on trade with England, etc., took effect. The act remained in full force until March, 1809.

1822—John Strong Newberry, eminent geologist and mining expert, born; died 1892.

1899—Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, died; born 1837.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow.)

Sun sets 4:32, rises 7:18; moon rises 11:37 p. m.; planet Mercury visible; 12:04 noon today, winter solstice; sun lowest and farthest south; noon shadows longest; winter begins.

Something for Nothing

Nowhere, perhaps in the United States, can the workingman who owns no property get more help from the State and municipality in which he lives than in Pennsylvania. For a minimum of taxation, borough, school, State and county, the non-property holding citizen gets privileges and benefits which, if he had to pay for in dollars and cents, would make a big item in the expenditure of his income. In Pennsylvania it is literally a case of getting something for nothing so far as the non property holding citizens is concerned.

In Charleroi, where the borough and school tax rates are high, owing to the short time the town has been in existence, the non-property owning citizen has a decided advantage. If a tradesman, whether skilled or unskilled, he is assesses with an occupation of $100 on which to base his taxes. Suppose such a citizen had four children in school, and many here have more than that, and suppose three of the children were in the grades and one in the high school. The actual cost for the schooling of these four children would be $20 each for the grade pupils or $60 for the three, and $50 for the one in high school, making a total of $110. This includes all books, stationary, pens, pencils and everything the pupil needs. The parent does not have to purchase so much as a slate pencil during the whole term of nine months. For this the non-property holder assessed with an occupation tax of $100 pays the munificient sum of $1.50 a year in taxes. This is about as near something for nothing as can well be realized.

In addition the non-property holder has all the benefits of the borough improvements—paved streets, lights, sewers, police protection, public and civic advantages, for the munificent sum of $1.50 a year. The amount of taxes he pays to the bos-ridden State, including the county, is the exorbitant sum of thirty-seven and one-half cents. The total taxes such a citizen would pay in Charleroi is $2.97½ for all the benefits he gets from borough, schools, county and State. In addition the non-property owner has eighteen months in which to pay this tax, with a chance to evade it by moving out of the district before it can be collected.

Sewage Conservation

The proposed visit of the Charleroi and North Charleroi councils to Washington to inspect the sewage disposal plant there preparatory to installing one here is suggestive of man's wastefulness as compared with the process of nature. Instead of putting back to the land an equivalent for what is taken from it, as does Mother Nature, man defaults in the payment of the greater part of his sustenance, and future generations pay the penalty in the diminishing yield of the earth's fruitfulness.

Nowhere is this type of wastefulness more vividly portrayed than by Victor Hugo in a chapter in his masterpiece, Les Miserables, descriptive of the great sewer system of Paris, entitled, "The Earth Impoverished by the Sea." In this the author dwells upon the terrible waste of pouring into the sea the refuse of a million and more of people grouped in a single community, instead of putting in back on the land as nature intended. Because of the wastefulness on the part of man the earth, which is constantly contributing to his sustenance, is being exhausted. It is producing less every year and humanity is paying the penalty.

Nature is never wasteful. Left to herself she repairs the ravages of the sustenance derived from the soil by vegetable and animal life. The leaves fall to the ground and the chemical action of resolving them back to the elements from whence they came restores the fertility of the soil. Animal life, including mankind, is destined to fulfil the same mission of returning again to the dust of the earth which sustained them when in life. It is only when artificial methods of dealing with the waste of the earth reach their highest state of efficiency that the results are most direful.

Every particle of sewage should somehow go back to the land to preserve and restore its fertility. Until this is done the productive forces of the earth will never reach their highest state of efficiency in supplying the wants of humanity. The system of disposing of sewage is now to get rid of it when every effort should be made to save it. Some time this order will be reversed, and the conservation of sewage will be one of the important economic factors with which general and local governments will have to deal.

A Real Benefit

Congressman Victor Murdock of Kansas comes to the front with a bill which he proposes to introduce in Congress that will rival the pure food bill in importance in the domestic economy of the nation. This is a pure fabric bill, which is designed to compel manufacturers and dealers to correctly label every kind of fabric that is made in order to protect the public. The proposed measure does not prohibit the manufacture of anything that is now made, but it proposes to regulate the sale to such an extent that every buyer knows exactly what he is purchasing.

This pure fabric bill would protect the purchaser from getting gouged on an all-wool suit sold for $15, that was cotton or shoddy and should sell for perhaps half that figure. Misrepresentations in the clothing line constitute one of the greatest and most expensive frauds that are perpetrated upon a gullible public, and when a dealer is liable to fine and imprisonment for selling shoddy for "all wool and a yard wide," the people will be surprised at the money they will save in their clothing bills. There is no reason why shoddy or imitation wool goods should not be manufactured, but they should be sold for exactly what they are the same as oleomargerine.

Mr. Murdock asserts that as the government in the pure food law protects the people from fraud in what they put into their stomachs, it has equal jurisdiction in affording protection on what they put on their backs. A hard fight is anticipated before a pure a fabric law can be enacted, as unscrupulous dry goods people and clothiers will find their big source of profit gone if they have to sell imitation wool goods for exactly what they are. Nevertheless such a regulation will reduce the price of clothing infinitely more than the repeal of "Schedule K" of the tariff law.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

If all actors are worthy of their hire, and all got exactly what they are worth some would be inmates of the poor house.

The Connellsville Courier remarks that poker has been reduced to a science in Uniontown, and that the authorities have a proper regard for science.

A muscular Turk from Samboul
Tried to twist off the tail of a mule;
The coroner's ju-
Ry the corpse did view,
And rendered the verdict, "Damphule."

Hereafter in Tacoma, Wash., a man doesn't dare ask another to drink with him. That's a hardship for the fellows who never got into the habit of paying for their own booze.

She—"You promised to treat me at the first opportunity."

He—"But the first opportunity passed and you weren't there."

The man who presents himself with a Christmas present will be ahead of the game, because then he'll get what he wants instead of a sofa cushion.

The old man's check book is the star member of the family during the Christmas shopping season.

Monessen has gulped down a good many disgusting exhibitions, but the turning point has come with a burlesque troupe unfortunate enough to bear the brunt.

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Your indecision is exchanged for certainty here. Gifts for men in a wide range and everything just "what he wanted." Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean avenue. 108tf

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The Tale of a Key.

There is a roll top desk in an office near Wall street which can be bought cheap. The owner is a commuter and has desk room in a large office. He came late the other day and discovered that he had forgotten his keys. No key at hand would unlock the desk. The maker could not give aid for an hour or more, and some papers had to be reached before noon. The desk was forcibly opened and two inner compartments were smashed. Warm and tired from the exertion of wrecking his property, the man took off his coat and slipped into an office coat, in the pocket of which his keys jingled. Tableau! Before going home he confided to the office boy that he wouldn't care if he hadn't told.—New York Tribune.

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The local field is yours. All you need do is to avail yourself of the opportunities offered. An advertisement in this paper will carry your message into hundreds of homes in this community. It is the surest medium of killing your greatest competitor. A space this size won't cost much. Come in and see us about it.

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YOU can get them by advertising in this paper. It reaches the best class of people in this community.

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Christmas Gifts

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Initial Silk and Linen Handkerch'fs
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This letter will not surprise many good people in Charleroi and vicinity who know from actual experience what Thompson's Barosma, the safe and sane treatment and certain cure for all kidney, liver and bladder disease will do.

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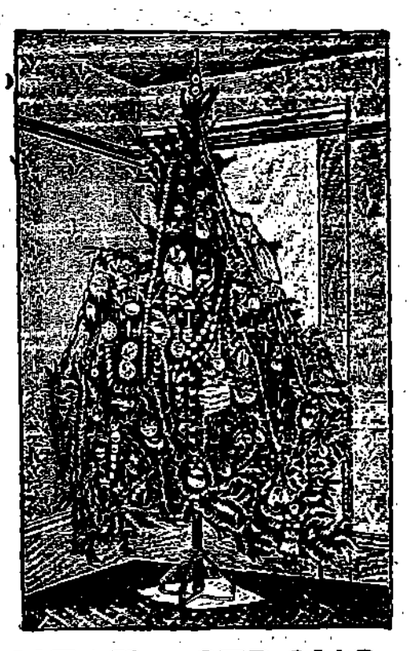

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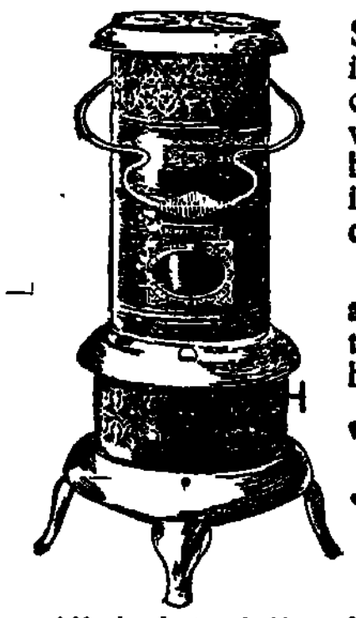

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The other afternoon his older sister made another attempt to interest him in this duty. All were seated at dinner and on the first words of the grace William's small head dropped in his hands in apparent reverence. His sister, secretly pleased with her success, stole a glance at him, when, to the consternation of the family, he sprang up, shouting gleefully:

"Oh Sis, you're it! I saw you peep!"
—Woman's Home Companion

Adam's Sister.

The palm tree has always been venerated wherever it grows, in some places it is worshiped. "Honor the palm tree," says a Mohammedan writer, "for she is your father's aunt, for this tree was formed of the remainder of the clay from which Adam was created."

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In June of that year the first refrigerator car is said to have made its trip from Ogdensburg, N. Y., to Boston. The car owed its origin principally to the fact that the farmers near Ogdensburg, who made a great deal of butter, were unable to ship it except in cold weather.

A railroad man named Wilder, at that time in charge of the through freight, thought it would be a good idea to rig up "an icebox on wheels," and he told this to the president of the road, who gave orders that the master mechanic should plan several of them.

At this time farmers were receiving only 12 cents a pound for their butter. The iced car was loaded with eight tons of it, sent through and allowed to stand in Boston till the product was sold. It brought 17 cents a pound after paying all expenses and commissions, and the plan was voted a success. In short time the road had a regular service on using a number of cars, and the idea spread rapidly.

Wilder did not patent his idea but allowed it to be used by whoever so desired.—St. Louis Republic.

ODD VOLUMES.

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Any Odd Volume losing his temper and failing to recover it shall be fined by the president the sum of 5 shillings.

Discussions about anthropology, religion and politics shall be put down by the president.

Any Odd Volume giving to another Odd Volume unasked advice shall be fined by the president.

No Odd Volume shall talk unasked on any subject he understands.

No Odd Volume's speech shall last longer than three minutes. If, however, the inspired Odd Volume has any more to say he may proceed until his voice is drowned in the general applause.

Volumes have to address each other as "Your Oddship."—Argonaut.

The Major's Tip.

When Major Banks was the best known figure around the race tracks of Cincinnati and the middle west he was extremely generous in tipping off his friends to "sure winners." One man who enjoyed his confidence and played the horses according to the major's advice lost all his ready money and finally succeeded in reducing himself to the point where he had to sell out his grocery business.

One afternoon, following the placing of his last ten dollar note as the major advised, he caught Banks by the arm and said tragically:

"Major, you've made me lose my last cent. I'm a painter, and my wife and family are practically starving. I am now about to go down to the river and drown myself. It's all over for me."

"All right," answered Banks, "but in the event you change your mind meet me here at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. I think I'll have something good for you."—Exchange.

Kongo Tattooing.

In the Kongo colonies of Belgium both men and women are tattooed according to their status in society. A woman of high caste will have a design not unlike a zouave jacket worked upon her back, and it would seem that the native is as content with this mode of covering as if it were a substitute for clothing. By injecting the juice of certain herbs the scars left by the tattooing process retain a swollen appearance, giving the effect of bas-relief work. The thorns of the acacia are generally used as a needle, while a certain black clay is used as a coloring medium.

Classified.

Was there ever a better example of the witty and concise form of expression than the answer of the grim man who, when asked about the character of a neighbor, sententiously replied:

"Mister, I don't know very much about him, but my impression is he'd make a first class stranger."—Exchange.

Frigid.

Nell—That Miss Coplelgh is an awfully cold sort of girl. Belle—Mercy, yes. Why, she's so frigid that wherever she goes on rainy days it snows.—Boston Transcript.

Irish Wit.

"I never give alms to a stranger," said old Shyster to a poor Irishwoman.

"Shure, then, your honor will never receive an angel," was the reply.—Judge.

Condemned Unheard.

From a notice in a Cornish church: "The preacher for next Sunday will be found hanging in the church porch on Saturday."—London Punch.

Cleanse the fountain if you would purify the streams.—Alcott.

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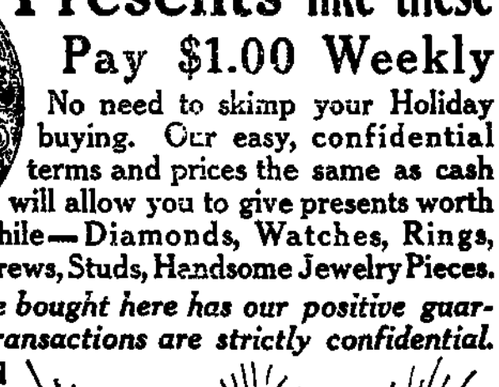

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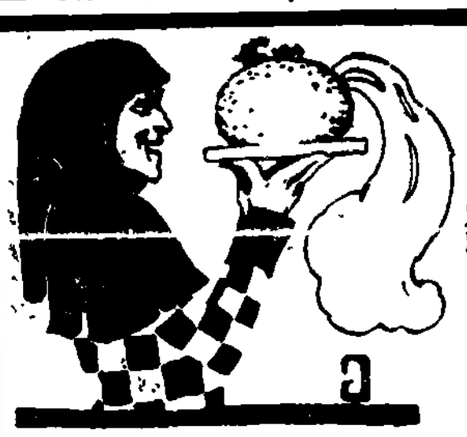

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TULIP MADNESS.

The Craze That Raged In Holland In the Last Century.

[illegible] the last century in one year the sales aggregated 10,000,000 florins. Holland went tulip mad. The bulbs were quoted on the Stock Exchange. Ownership in them was divided into shares. Speculators sold them short. At one time more tulips were sold than existed. At Lille a brewer sold his trade and good will in exchange for a bulb which was thereafter known as the Brewery tulip. In Amsterdam a father gave one by way of dower with his child. Thereafter the variety was known as the Marriage of My Daughter. At Rotterdam a hungry sailor, happening on a few, mistook them for onions and ate them. The repast became as famous as Cleopatra's pearls and probably exceeded it in cost. At The Hague a poor fellow managed to raise a black tulip. The rumor of that vegetable marvel spread. Presently he was visited by a deputation from a syndicate. For that ewe lamb of his the deputation offered 1,000 florins, which he refused. He was offered 10,000 florins. Still he refused. Cascades of gold were poured before his resisting eyes. Finally, tormented and tempted he succumbed. There and then the deputation trampled that tulip under their feet. Afterward it appeared that the syndicate had already grown a gem precisely similar and unable to bear the idea that a rival existed, had authorized the deputation if needful to offer ten times the amount which it paid.

PICKED AN ODD NAME.

An Author's Long Search and a Subsequent Surprise.

When Albion W. Tourgee wrote "A Fool's Errand" he named one of his leading characters Theron Pardee. An early copy of the book fell into the hands of the Rev. Luther Pardee, an Episcopal clergyman of Chicago, whose father was named Thereon Pardee. The name is such an unusual combination that in amazement the rector showed the book to his father, and they were both puzzled by the coincidence. They decided to write Judge Tourgee and ask him what had led him to use the name. He replied, in equal amazement, that he had not supposed there was such a man living as a Theron Pardee. Then he stated that he had a prolonged search for a suitable name for the character of his story—one that would express just what he imagined this character to be. In the course of the hunt an old copy of the curriculum of Union college had fallen into his hands. It was dated 1825, or something as far back and among the names of the students was one Thereon Pardee. The judge said it had impressed him as being one of the richest, most solid and most satisfying names he ever had heard, so he decided to adopt it for his character. The curriculum was so old that he had no hesitation in using the name, and he was astonished to learn that the rightful owner of it was living. His explanation was accepted and the resulting acquaintance was pleasing all around.—New York Press.

The Arab Plowman

To see an Arab starting a yoke of oxen one should position upon the single stem of the plow and the other holding the long goad is to see a living illustration of how Elisha forked and hoed when Elijah found him plowing and cast his cloak upon him as a token of his choice of his destiny. It has often been remarked that, while the [illegible] of Roman stonework abound in northern Africa in the form of bridges, aqueducts, etc., so forth the impress left on the people themselves by the greatest civilizing power that ever existed is extraordinarily slight. Only in some such insignificant details as the names of the months in the Kabyle dialect is the stamp of Rome still visible, and in the system of hiring labor in the Tell there survives a custom belonging to the early days of the Roman republic.—Wide World Magazine.

Good at Arithmetic.

"For goodness' sake, John, how long did you boil these eggs?"

"Just as long as you told me to, my dear."

"Impossible! They're hard as bricks."

"I boiled them just twelve minutes."

"Twelve! Why, I told you that three minutes was long enough for an egg!"

"Yes, dear; but I boiled four of them."—Toledo Blade.

A Very L[illegible]

There was once [illegible] a crack an odd character named Burns. He was an odd person who always no matter what his work were what used to [illegible] a rich vein of ore and named that the Prince Albert. Being a generous and convivial disposition, this fellow was, of course, surrounded by many self seeking friends. When [illegible] and they were in their cups some of them, with an eye to the main chance managed to wheedle out of Burns on one pretext or another a deed of share in his mine. With royal prodigality he scattered deeds about among his retainers and camp followers until finally something had to be done, and the case was taken into court. One of the lawyers had Burns on the stand. "Now, Mr. Burns," said the lawyer, "will you please tell the court how you can explain your conduct? The evidence shows that you have deeded away twenty-nine twenty fourths of your mine. What have you to say to that?" "Well, sir," replied the witness, "you must remember, sir, that the Prince Albert is a very large mine."

A Cleanup.

The three amateur sharpers smiled. They thought they had found an easy mark. He was well dressed and grossly inebriated. And he bore a right roll of bills that looked like a bologna sausage.

"Boys," he thickly said, "I'm goin to shend thish wad of shtuff to th' gov'mens laundry an' have it dry cleaned. It's sho fearful dirty. May be one of you gents would kindly shee it's addreshed to proper place?"

"Why, yes," replied the gang. "We'll take care of it."

"Thanks," replied the victim. "An now I mush ask you to lemme have a few clean bills for emergensish, don't you know."

So they searched themselves and gave him a new twenty and a ten and a five. Then, taking the soiled wad they hurried away.

Two days later the three clever ones were arrested for having counterfeit money in their possession.

But the guileless inebriate was seen no more.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Born Diplomat.

"Spies!" exclaimed the old colonel as C company passed the saluting base.

"Did you hear wot ole nasty face ses?" No. 3 of the front rank asked No. 4.

"Stand fast after parade, No. 4, for talking in the ranks!" snapped a sergeant from near by.

"It wasn't me talkin'!" muttered No. 4.

"You'd better not git two on us in trouble," advised No. 3 in a whisper.

"Talking while marching past!" echoed the adjutant. "What on earth did you find to talk about then?"

"As we was—passing the saluting base," explained No. 4, "the colonel ses, 'Splendid!' 'Yes,' I ses to meself an' you've got the smartest officer in the British army to thank for makin us splendid, and that's our adjutant.'

"Er—sergeant, send the man away and don't bring such frivolous complaints before me again," snapped the adjutant.—London Answers.

The Change of a Word.

"You wouldn't think there'd be enough difference between the definite and the indefinite article to matter much would you?" said a woman who writes for a living. "I made a lifelong enemy of a woman once just by writing 'the' where I meant 'a.' It was an account of her wedding I was doing. I said something about the ceremony being performed at the home of the bride's aunt, and then I added that there were present 'only the few friends of the family.' The bride never got over that 'the' in front of few. It happened five years ago, and when my name is mentioned she still froths at the mouth."—Washington Post.

Beaver Tales.

The Indians say that if a beaver sent out from the parents' lodge fails to find a mate he is set to repair the dam. If he fails a second time he is banished.

An Arab writer has the same story. He tells us that those who buy beaver skins can distinguish between the skins of masters and slaves. The latter have the hair of the head rubbed off because they have to pound the wood for their masters' food and do it with their heads.

Seek knowledge as if thou wert to be here forever.—Herder.

What They Ate.

Tobias Smollett wrote his "Humphrey Clinker" in 1771, the last year of his life, giving therein a spirited account of the society and customs then prevailing. [illegible] exposed the iniquities practiced by the purveyors of provisions at that time. Oysters were "bloated" and "floated" then as now; veal was whitened by repeated bleedings of the live animal; greens were boiled with brass half pence to improve the color; the wine in common use was a "pernicious sophistication, balderdashed with cider, cordial spirit and the juice of sloes," and other revelations not suited to repetition in this polite age indicated that almost every article of diet was profitably "treated" before it reached the ultimate consumer. That "bleached" flour is no new commodity was also shown, while Smollett's added comment furnishes excellent food for reflection:

"The bread I eat in London is a deleterious paste, mixed up with chalk, alum and bone ashes insipid to the taste and destructive to the constitution. The good people are not ignorant of this adulteration, but they prefer it to wholesome bread because it is whiter than the meal of corn."—Washington Post.

Fires and Insurance.

The agent of a well known insurance company stood on the fringe of the crowd watching the firemen returning from the scene of a small blaze in an uptown flathouse.

"I'll do business tomorrow morning," said he grimly, "and most of it will be with women who have 'forgotten' their insurance has run out. There's nothing like a blaze on the block to set thoughts in the direction of insurance. Last week a woman was waiting for me when I opened my office. Her husband had given her money to take out insurance weeks before, and she had spent it for a new hat. The night before a fire had broken out on the second flat above theirs, and, believe me, that woman must have suffered tortures until the fate of the house was settled. She paid the premium in small change, which I believe she took from a child's bank, rather than confess her neglect to her husband."—New York World.

The Poor.

We all love the poor. It would be entirely unnecessary, if not positively caddish, to say that we hate the poor. But there are two kinds of poor—the individual poor and the collective poor. It is not the individual poor that we love; it is the collective poor. It is not the poor that we know and see, but the poor that we do not know and have neither time nor inclination to look at. We are afraid if we see them we shall cease to love them. We never say "God bless the iceman, or the coal heaver, or the motorman." For them we find our execrations for not contributing to our comfort just so and so and so.

It is with great fervor, however, that we can say, "God bless the poor," because the poor do not interfere with our comfort to the slightest degree.—Life.

Kingsley's Stammering.

Charles Kingsley loved talking, had an enormous deal to say on every conceivable subject and longed to say it. But his stammer was always checking him. He gurgled and gasped and made faces and would sometimes break off in a conversation or a meal, rush out into the open air and liberate his suppressed emotions by rapid exercise or physical exertion. Yet, as has often been observed in similar cases, when he had to preach the stammer subsided, and, though there was some facial contortion, the flow of the discourse was never interrupted. He said to his friend Tom Hughes: "I could be as great a talker as any man in England but for my stammering. When I am speaking for God in the pulpit or paying by bedsides I never stammer. My stammer is a blessed thing for me. It keeps me from talking in company and from going out as much as I should do but for it."—G. W. E. Russell in Winchester Guardian.

Different Altogether.

Visitor (consolingly to Tommy, who has upset a bottle of ink on the new carpet)—Tut, my boy, there is no use crying over spilt milk.

Tommy—Course not. Any duffer knows that. All you've got to do is call in the cat and she'll lick it up. But this don't happen to be milk, an' mamma will do the lickin'.

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To a music lover—to a wife or daughter fond of music—as a final touch to round out the comfort and happiness of a home, a piano is the one requisite thing. Inspection of our line is invited. We carry only high grade instruments of superb tone and faultless workmanship, made by the most famous manufacturers and sold at prices that give full value for every dollar. Sole agents in this locality for the Baldwin Mfg. Co. line, embracing THE BALDWIN, THE ELLINGTON, THE HAMILTON, THE HOWARD, THE VALLEY GEM, and the Bennett Mfg. Co. line embracing THE BENNETT, THE HARTZELL and THE WEDDELFIELD.

Christmas Suggestions in Furniture

What can be more suitable as a gift than an article that furnishes a happy remembrance and a useful purpose for years. Furniture fulfills these requirements. Here are a few suggestions:

Parlor Suites	China Closets	Wardrobes	Couches
Parlor Tables	Buffets	Dressers	Writing Tables
Parlor Stands	Sideboards	Slipper Chairs	Celleretts
Pictures	Brass Beds	High Chairs	Davenports
Music Benches	Child's Beds	Rockers	Kitchen Cabinets
Dining Tables	Bedroom Suites	Book Cases	Carpets
Dining Chairs	Dressing Tables	Desks	Rugs
		Morris Chairs	Ranges

Toys Here Too For the little ones we have a Full Line of Toys. Everything New and bought this year. No old stock. Come in and see. : : : : : : :

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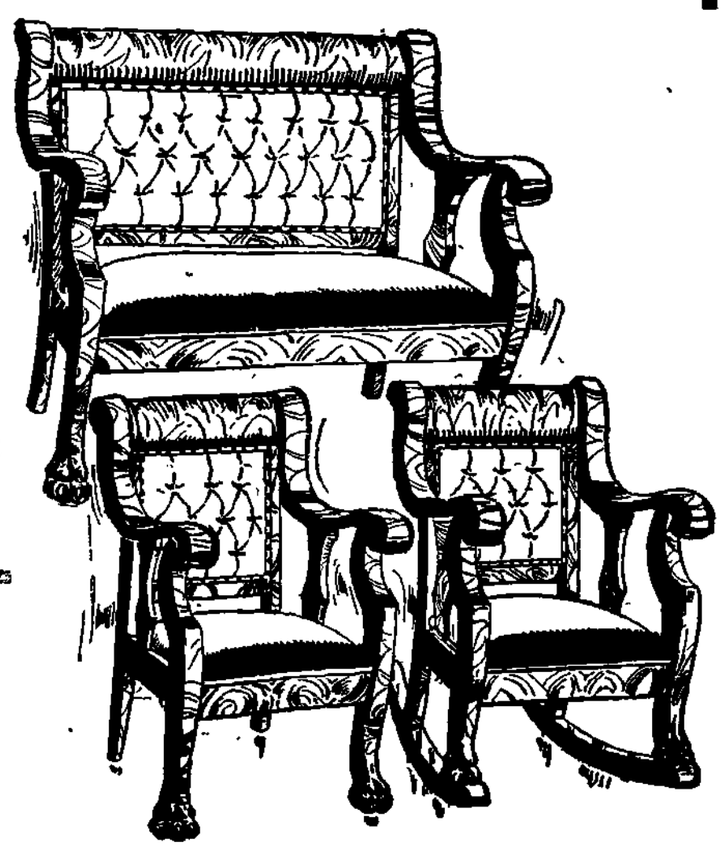
The Big House Furnishing Store

421 McKean Avenue Charleroi, Pa.



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After a long search we have succeeded in engaging the services of an expert upholsterer and are again ready to do all kinds of upholstering promptly and cheaply.

The Valley Furniture Exchange,
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Special Inducements for Christmas

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Special

63 Pairs of Men's and Ladies' Slippers, felt or leather soles **49c**

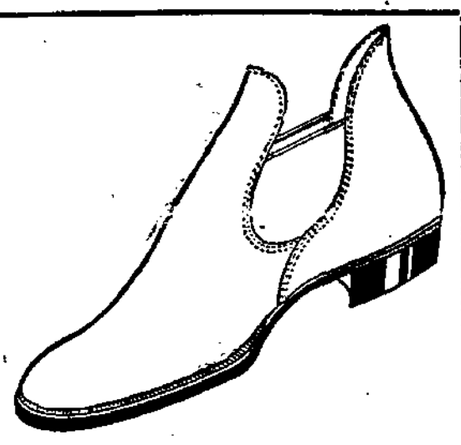
It is not only the low prices you pay, but high quality you get, that makes shopping at the Sample Shoe Store profitable to you. The amount of money you can save on each and every article will astonish you; the long, satisfactory wear and service you will get will please you even more.

Ladie's Slippers in tan, red, black, green, pink, blue, gray. Regular 2.00 and 2.50 grade, our Xmas price..... **$1.48**

Ladie's fur top slippers, reg- $1.50 grade, our Xmas price **98c**

Ladie's and Men's shoe trees, Regular 1.50 grade, our Xmas price..... **75c**

Ladie's Leggins, Regular 1.00 grade, Our Xmas price **49c**

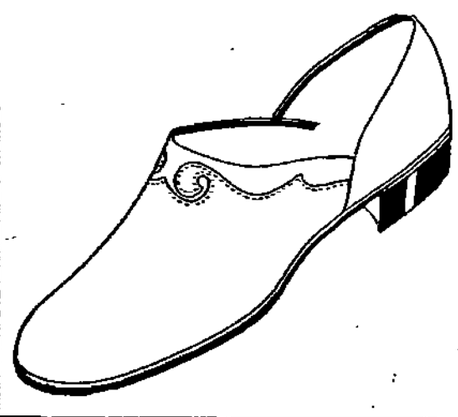


Men's Romeos in tan, black or red, regular $2.00 grade, our Xmas. price . . . **98c**

Men's $3 Romeos in tan and black. regular $3 50 grade, our Xmas. price, **$1.95**

Men's tan, black and red Opera Slippers worth $1.50, our Xmas. price..... **98c**

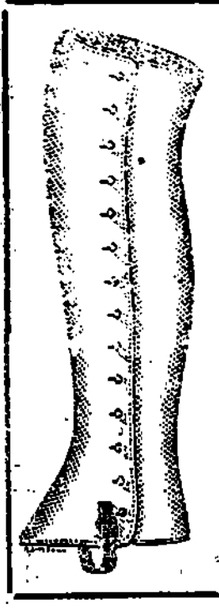
For Your Xmas Slippers and Shoes
See "ADOLPH"



Men's tan, black, gray, just like cut, worth 2.50, our Xmas price..... **$1.45**

REMEMBER
This is Adolph of Course at 502 Fallowfield Avenue.

Plenty of Clerks to wait on you and Santa to greet all the Children.



Boys' and Girls' Leggings

Regular $1 and $1.25 values 69c.

Good warm leggings of velvet, kersey cloth and corduroy (sizes 2 to 8 years). Nicest kind of a Christmas gift. High cut like picture. Best H. J. and S. make in all colors—tan, red, gray, brown, blue, black, etc., special at 69c and 39c.

Jockey Boots

An item of special interest, these ever popular boots are here in all sizes for women and Misses. Extra high cut. Finest quality leather, gun metal or patent colt. Red, tan or black tops. Other stores sell them at $4.00, $3.50, $3.00 and $2.50. At our two-day special sale, your choice at $2.45, $1.95, $1.69 and

$1.24

Rubbers!!

Ladies' rubbers	49c	Men's dress shoes	$2.69
Men's rubbers	59c	Ladies' dress shoes	1.95
Misses' rubbers	39c	Ladies' warm shoes	.98
Children's rubbers	29c	Ladies' Juliets	.98
Men's arctics	98c	Ladies' dancing slippers	1.69
Men's gum boots	$2.49	Men's dancing pumps in dull and patent	2.45
Men's Water Proof Leggings	49c		

Sample Shoe Store

502 Fallowfield Avenue **Charleroi, Penn'a.**

CURIOUS COLOR NAMES.

There Was Once an Extensive Group of Flea Shades.

"Puce," which was for a long time the name given an exceedingly popular hue, is when translated from the French simply "flea." It appears that the accidental admission of a flea at a court festivity in France and the subsequent discovery and capture of the uninvited guest gave rise to a host of jokes and anecdotes, and so a new color was jocularly named in the insect's honor. Indeed, there was an extensive group of flea shades—old flea, young flea, flea's foot, lively flea and others. Puce, which was a kind of drab, is still familiar to the reading public through its frequent mention in literature, drama and letters of noted personages in the past.

Few of us, however, know anything of the following colors, each of which was a favorite in its day and as familiar to the speech of fashionable ladies and gentlemen as are the cerise old rose, etc., of our own time. Here is a little list of them.

Marathon blue, drooping poppy, green of the Oreads, triumph of Aspasia, robe of Venus, bridal blush, canary's tail, merry hunter, flying chaff, dolphin about to die, thundercloud, innocent infant, caterpillar brown, fading hope, Cinderella russet, smoke of Vesuvius, penitent hermit, dissolving pearl, Cupid's feather, captain's glory, beautiful savage, ambushed wild beast, rose of Eden, faithful shepherd, weary traveler's shoe, agitated nymph and dream of the beloved one pink.—Exchange.

—ledge as if thou wert to be —Herder.

LOVELY LUCERNE.

The Tourist Center of the "Playground of Europe."

Lucerne, situated in the heart of Switzerland, stands, as it were, enshrined amid the grandest and most picturesque features of Alpine scenery and is, of course, the tourist center par excellence of the "Playground of Europe," three main lines of railway converging on the famous town beside the lake. Nor could nature, indeed, have well done more for "Lovely Lucerne," as all the world acclaims it (declares a writer in London Sketch). On one side [illegible] on the other Pilatus [illegible] with between them [illegible] expanse of [illegible] Cantons and [illegible] read panorama [illegible] snow

From the Rigi (6,000 feet), easily climbed by aid of its famous "mountain train," the view takes in the Bernina, Gothard, Unterwalden and Bernese Alps, stretching far and wide, from the Sentis in the east to the Blumlisalp in the west, and to northward the Jura mountains, the Black forest and the Vosges barrier between Frank and Teuton. From the Rigi some fourteen lakes are visible on a clear day, among them Sempach, by the shores of which was fought the famous battle where the Swiss won their freedom.

Why Tailors Sit Crosslegged.

A tailor making a dress coat sat crosslegged on a table, like a Turk. "Why do tailors always work in that uncomfortable position?" asked a visitor.

"Women's tailors don't. Only men's do," was the reply. "And for men's tailors it is the most comfortable and the most convenient position possible. You see, the sewing on men's clothes is very fine. The work must be held up close to the eyes. Well, in this position I lean the work on my elevated knees, and thus it is nearer my eyes, while at the same time my back remains straight. Analyzed, the position is a [illegible]ame. It keeps the back straight, [illegible]e chest out, the knees make [illegible]ose up to the face, and eye st[illegible]ided.

"Tailor[illegible] women sit on chairs. For one t[illegible], the sewing on women's clothes is less fine than on men's. For another, the woman's tailor has to get up every few minutes to go to the manikin, and all that rising, if he sat crosslegged on the floor, would tire him too much in the day's run."—New York Press.

The Family Scrap Book.

Mrs. Sauers (to Willy as minister calls to see Mr. Sauers)—Willy, is your father in? Willy—Yes; he's upstairs looking over your scrap book. Mrs. Sauers (puzzled)—You mean my family account book? Willy—Well, it's all the same. He and you always have a scrap every time he goes over it.

A Varnishing Tip.

When varnishing wood the work must be done in a warm room at a temperature of at least 75 degrees F. At a lower temperature the moisture in the air will give a milky and cloudy appearance to the varnish. On the other hand, at the higher temperature the moisture is not precipitated until the alcohol of the varnish has sufficiently evaporated to leave a thin smooth film of shellac. The durability and gloss are dependent on this.

GIFTS FOR MEN!

WE GIVE GREEN STAMPS

Here are a few suggestions taken at random from our stock. We have many more articles in Men's Wear suitable for gifts and suggest that you take time to look over our offerings and note our money saving prices

SHIRTS
Handsome designs and colors, all sizes, regular and coat styles. Also fine flannel with collars in gray, blue and brown. This is an exceptional line, even for our store.
Prices
50c to $2

NECKWEAR
Pretty novelties in the latest shades, also gift sets consisting of Handkerchief, Necktie and Hose in matched colors in gift boxes, price range
25c to $1.00

GLOVES
For men and boys, dress gloves, lined gloves, wool gloves and gauntlets, all leathers and made right for fit and wear.
Price range
25c to $2.50

HANDKERCHIEFS
Anyone can be suited in this line. Silk and linen sanitary handkerchiefs in sealed packs 3 for 25c, Initial hdkfs 2 for 25c, others up to
50c

MUFFLERS
The Way cold excluding mufflers, buttons up close, in shades of grey, maroon, brown and blue, each in a box, 50c.
Full dress mufflers, 1.50 values at
$1.00

SUIT CASES AND BAGS
A very strong line, every one is personally selected and we know they are good.
Suit Cases
$1 to $8
Bags in very best leather, large and roomy, London and Club shapes.
Price range
$2.50 to $10

Do not forget that our Clothing and Overcoats for both men and boys is the best to be had and our PRICES ATTRACTIVE

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What Shall I Give?

GIFTS THAT ARE USEFUL ARE ALWAYS ACCEPTABLE

Articles that are useful make an ideal gift, they give the recipient pleasure every day, and remind one of the giver in a substantial way that affords days of useful satisfaction.

Do your Christmas shopping without delay. Find out how much your Christmas money will buy here. Nowhere else will you find a more complete line of articles suitable for use as Christmas gifts which combine utility, beauty and individuality for every member of the family. We suggest a few of the many things to be found here:

For Father or Brother

There are shirts, ties, handkerchiefs, mufflers, suspenders, sox in boxes, stick pins, cuff buttons, arm bands, hose supporters, soft leather collar bags, sweater coats or jerseys for the boy. Then there are Cowboy gloves and Scotch gloves, for the little fellows. Smoking jackets, bath robes, and many other things in clothing. Maybe they would appreciate a nice cap or hat.

For Mother or Sister

For the ladies there are collars, belts, stick pins, belt, pins, hat pins, pearl combs, side combs, manicuring sets, brush, comb and mirror sets, scarfs, art goods, handkerchiefs, ties, brooches and hundreds of other things indispensible to the neatly dressed woman.

Then there are table linens, towels, dress goods, dress and waist patterns; and in the ready-to-wear department—coats, suits, furs, silk petticoats, lawn, linen, mull and silk waists and many other things that would bring joy in a woman's heart.

FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

We have Clothing for the whole family from grandfather down to baby, and articles which would be appreciated by the recipient. There are suits, coats and top coats for the men and boys; suits, coats, furs dresses and waists for the women and children.

Our basement is overflowing with dolls for the small children, pyrography outfits, and the stamped wood to use with them, China of all descriptions, in sets and single pieces—something for every member of the family. Then there are rugs in the carpet department, from the small door mat to the large room size rug.

Books for the Little Folks **Books for the Grown-ups.**

In addition to the above we suggest a warm muffler, a nice pair of soft warm gloves for either lady or gentleman, an umbrella, suit case or hand bag. These are gifts that are useful and always acceptable.

Do not make your selection until you have gone through our stock.

BERRYMAN'S

Fifth Street and McKean Avenue
Charleroi, Penn.

LOCAL MENTION

Interesting News Items Condensed for Busy Readers.

Mrs. William Vance of near Carmichaels is here for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Reever of Fallowfield avenue.

Cardon Jimeson has returned home from Mercersburg Academy to spend the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jimeson of Lincoln avenue.

John Porter, after spending two years in Georgia, West Virginia, and other States has gone back to his old position as foreman in one of the Pittsburg Plate Glass works' departments.

Don't waste your money on nonsense or tinsel. Bring the children to our store and get them a new outfit of clothing. You save half and you can begin paying next year. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfied Avenue. 115t2

Gifts for men—Neckwear, shirts, hosiery, gloves, hats, overcoats, in the very latest designs and colors. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean. 108tf

Music Cabinet to match your piano at Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

Everything suitable for the men folks as well as the women at Berryman's. 114t2

If you are short of money we are ready to clothe you now at half price. Begin to pay next year. If you are honest you are good to us. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue. 115t2

Ewing Blaker of Fordkeye, Greene county, is spending a few days in Charleroi as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Blaker of Second street.

A marriage license has been granted to Walter S. Jack and Miss Cora E. Hott both of Charleroi.

David Gray and Miss Viola Keifer both of Charleroi have been granted a marriage license.

Holly for Holiday Decorations. Genuine Natural Green Holly with plenty of berries in Wreaths or loose at Haube's, 428 Fallowfield avenue. Both phones. D-24

Buy him a nice suit or overcoat at Berryman's. 114t2

Pianos for gifts—why not, the best are here, Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

A tribe of Sioux Indians just arrived in town 3 to 10 years of age. See them at Berryman's Store, only $1 per suit. 115t2

Buy him a house coat and he will stay at home. Berryman's have them. 114t2

A bathrobe will solve the problem. We have them at Berryman's. 114t2

A new line of Persian ties just received. They have been our big sellers. Berryman's. 114t2

Handsome Buffets to complete your dining room at Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

I have a nice upright piano in Charleroi which I will give the use of this winter for its storage. Address Stenographer, 951 Century Building, Pittsburg, Pa. D-30

Genuine Natural Holly in wreaths and loose at Haube's, 428 Fallowfield avenue. D-24

Dinner Sets, fancy china and table sets. Double stamps till Xmas. Barger's, 415 Fallowfield avenue. 107t10

Something nice for the men: Suspenders, Hose Supporters and Arm Bands in matched sets put up in pretty gift boxes. Murdock and McCarty—151 McKean avenue. 110t8

Buy your dolls at Barger's. Double stamps on all Xmas goods. Dolls 25 cents to $2.50, 415 Fallowfield avenue. 107t10

Misses and childrens Jockey Shoes in all sizes at Adolphs'. 115t2

Santa will deliver all your packages in Adolph's automobile. 115t2

Mrs. Henry Furnier and son Lynn of McKean avenue left this morning for Gallatin, Tenn., where they will spend some time with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Jacobs are spending the day in Pittsburg.

FOUND—Muff at Postoffice. Owner may have same by calling at postoffice and paying for this ad. 115t1

Governor-elect J. K. Tener is expected home this evening from Washington to spend Christmas.

For your Christmas Slippers see Adolph. 115t2

Men's and ladies slippers 98c. See Adolph. 115t2

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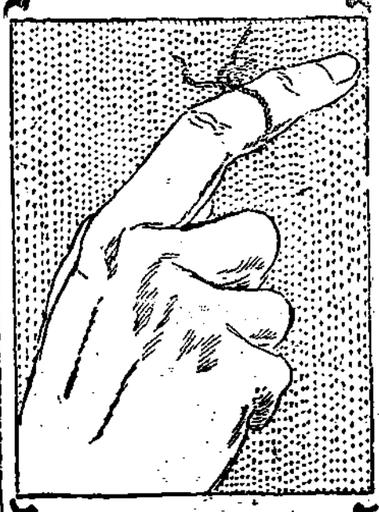

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